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S. KOREA/POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

DKP, KNP DEMAND IMMEDIATE LIFT OF POLITICAL BAN

SK030056 Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 3 Mar 82 p 1

[Text] The minority Democratic Korea Party (DKP) and the Korea National Party (KNP) demanded that the government remove immediately the eight-year political ban on former politicians in a plenary session of the National Assembly yesterday.

Rep. Kim Kyon-kyu, chief policy maker of the DKP, and Rep. Yon Sok-min, a vice president of the KNP, claimed in their respective interpellations of the administration that prompt measures to allow politicians of the past to resume their political activities would be necessary to cure what they called old political sores and to achieve national harmony.

Rep. Na Sok-ho, chief policy maker of the majority Democratic Justice Party, inquired of the government about the ways of realizing President Chon Tu-hwan's new unification formula, future relations between the administration and the assembly, and over-all economic affairs.

The three lawmakers from the major political parties questioned the government separately, representing their parties in the session, on a wide range of state policies with all cabinet members, including Prime Minister Yu Chang-sun attending.

Rep. Na asked Prime Minister Yu to make public how the government would put into practice its series of new proposals to North Korea for peaceful unification and to explain the North Korean attitude to the overtures.

Viewing that there were still not a few problems to be corrected in the Japanese attitude toward Korea, the DJP policy maker queried the government about its countermeasures against such a posture in the days ahead.

He also asked the premier about the government plan to reduce foreign loans, and to support private businesses in terms of technical renovation, which would be the only way to survive the sharpest-ever international competition.

Rep. Kim of the DKP asked the government if it was willing to consent to his party's policy to rewrite politics-related laws such as the National Assembly law and election laws, insisting that amendments to these laws would help invigorate national politics.

In this 40-minute interpellation, the DKP chief policy maker argued that without active competitive politics among the parties, political stability could not be achieved, charging the monopoly of political funds by the majority party.

He urged the government to enforce at once the local autonomy system as stipulated in the constitution. He said that a democratic state without practical application of the system was something like skyscraper whose foundation was not solid.

Turning to economic problems, he said that the government was required to restore the people's trust in its economic policies first, asking the premier about its idea of repaying "excessive" foreign debts.

Rep. Yun of the KNP proposed in his interpellation the establishment of a "special committee on politics" in the assembly, which would study factors hampering political development.

He said that efforts should be made to improve the "unreasonable" election laws, the essential condition for free democracy.

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DJP STANDS PAT ON POLICY TOWARDS BANNED POLITICIANS

SK050639 Seoul CHOSON ILBO in Korean 4 Mar 82 p 2

[From the Column "News Behind News"]

[Text] At the interpellations made by the three major party representatives' on the afternoon of 2 March, the Democratic Justice Party [DJP] cadres generally showed a big-hearted attitude, saying: "Generally speaking, the contents of the interpellations have been satisfactory. The problems raised by the opposition parties turned out just as we had expected."

However, floor leader Yi Chong-chan seemed in an ill humor, saying: "A representative from the Korea National Party asserted that the president should stand aloof from the party affairs and the ruling party should produce prime ministers. I wonder if he advocates adopting a parliamentary cabinet system."

In the meantime, Secretary General Kwon Chong-tal said: "Answers given by the government side were satisfactory. In particular, Prime Minister Yu Chang-sun's answer to the question concerning those whose political activities are restricted was quite adequate." He repeatedly stressed his party's stand on this matter by saying: "Those who brought about political chaos and had left an unfavorable impression of politics on the people should hold themselves responsible for it."

He also said: "We are trying to show people that the DJP is really conducting political affairs in a clean manner so that we can win in the future elections four years hence."

In the meanwhile, the DJP, which volunteered to discontinue publishing its party organ--MINJONGDANGBO--last year because of the atmosphere in the elections, is going to resume publishing it on monthly basis starting this month.

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## S. KOREA/POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

### ROK GOVERNMENT STILL OPPOSED TO LIFTING POLITICAL BAN

SK070217 Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 7 Mar 82 p 2

[Article by Cho Pyung-pil]

[Text] The government has made its stance clear that it is still premature to consider giving clemency to former politicians on the ground that they should be held accountable for past era corrupt politics, feuds, and fostering national incongruity.

Testifying during a National Assembly plenary session, Prime Minister Yu Chang-sun showed a negative reaction to the demands of lawmakers from minority parties (the Democratic Korea Party and the Korea National Party) for immediate lifting of the eight-year political ban on them.

He declared clearly the government's intention not to allow the "political outcasts" to engage in political activities in the near future as early removal of the ban would do considerable damage to the clean politics that has been created as a result of socio-political reforms.

Likewise, the government excluded those who had been convicted of involvement in campus disturbances from the list for the special amnesty it granted to 2,863 convicts on the occasion of the first anniversary of the birth of the fifth republic.

This action appeared to be based on the government's belief that campuses must not be used as the bases for either political instability or social turmoil and that an atmosphere must be guaranteed fully for the pursuit of studies.

Highlighting Tuesday's lenient measure were benefits given to those convicted of martial law violations in the transition period preceding the birth of the fifth republic, and to others involved in the Kim Tae-chung conspiracy of rebellion, the plot to assassinate former President Pak Chong-hui the Kwangju turmoil, and its Pusan-Masan demonstrations in 1979.

Among them are Kim Tae-chung whose life term was commuted to 20 years in prison; former secretary-general to the late President Pak, Kim Kye-won, whose prison term was reduced to 10 years from 20 years; and Ye Chun-ho, a former lawmaker, who was granted special conditional release.



The large-scale presidential clemency, which indicates a strong government intention to consolidate national harmony, was the eighth of its kind the government has granted since the inauguration of President Chon Tu-hwan as the 11th-term president in September, 1980.

On 23 January, last year, President Chon commuted the death sentence of Kim Tae-chung to life imprisonment and 11 co-defendants also saw their terms commuted.

A special pardon attests to the president's belief that complete elimination of the antagonism and strife that characterized the old era is necessary to enhance national unity and harmony, while speedily healing the scars of national chaos that erupted at the beginning of the 1980s, as made public by Culture-Information Minister Yi Kwang-pyo.

Korea's allies, including the United States, and foreign news media commented on the sweeping amnesty, terming it further progress toward the normalization of political life through the realization of national reconciliation. It also shows the confidence of the incumbent government in all fields.

The presidential clemency included a special amnesty (1,419 convicts); special commutations (545); and special conditional releases (15). It also benefitted 238 others for restoration of their civil rights; 514 who have been released on parole; and 152 others set free from juvenile reformatories on probation.

The chief executive has the right to grant amnesty, commutation and restoration of rights in accordance with Article 54 of the Constitution.

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SEOUL DAILY WELCOMES GOVERNMENT'S AMNESTY MEASURE

SK040047 Seoul THE KOREA HERALD in English 4 Mar 82 p 4

[Editorial: "Amnesty for Reintegration"]

[Text] The general pardon granted yesterday to a large group of convicts including many former antigovernment dissidents and rioters is a significant step toward national solidarity and rapport with the one-year-old fifth republic forging toward the goal of a liberal and viable welfare state.

In observance of the first anniversary of President Chon taking office, the extensive amnesty affects a total of 2,863 convicts, with varying conditions—release from jail, commutation of sentence or rehabilitation of civil rights. Chief among the pardoned were those involved in the mass disturbances during the troubled months of transition following the death of the late President Pak.

Most of those serving prison terms or under other constraints in connection with the Pusan-Masan demonstrations in 1979, the Sabuk miners protest and the turmoil in Kwangju in 1980 were given relief or respite from their sentences. This show of clemency by the government befits the occasion of the fifth republic's birthday.

In announcing the move the government spokesman said it is ready to continue on the clemency course in the hope of letting the past offenders rehabilitate themselves and join in building a democratic and welfare state. It is deemed both necessary and desirable to afford them a second chance and seek to heal the wounds of the disruptive aftermath of the fourth republic.

The first year of the new government led by President Chon has gone a long way toward cleaning up the administration and laying the groundwork for a second takeoff. The formidable task of restoring social stability, undertaking political reforms and pulling through the economic recession was well accomplished, putting the nation back on the right track to sustained growth and development.

Besides the legal incrimination of subversive dissidents and destructive rioters, a series of nationwide housecleaning operations were carried out to denounce the discredited elements in every sector of our society.

Unfortunately in the course of wholesale personnel sifting and retrenchment some may have suffered unwarranted dismissal or other unfair treatment.

It was made clear that limitations on employment had been removed for those who were retired during the cleanup drive. Now all those accused of ineptitude or irregularity and convicted of more serious criminal charges may take advantage of the latest pardon to work together with their fellow countrymen in rebuilding the nation.

Political integration of the people and common commitment to the rules of the game are basic to the survival and development of a modern state along the line of liberal democracy. Diversity without harmony only means divisiveness. Arbitrary activism devoted to narrow and partisan interest will only break down consensus and conciliation.

Unity and cohesiveness are vital to the existence of any nation exposed to the constant peril of aggression. Security backed by domestic tranquility will not be insured unless we stand firmly united and responsive to one another. The pardon given yesterday prompts rethinking on how we can combine our resources to achieve a stable and dynamic nation in harmony.

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## S. KOREA/POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

### ROK DAILY MARKS FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF FIFTH REPUBLIC

SK030040 Seoul THE KORFA TIMES in English 3 Mar 82 p 2

[Editorial: "Inaugural Anniversary"]

[Text] A year has elapsed since President Chon Tu-hwan assumed office under the banner of the fifth republic, a period that has witnessed vigorous efforts and conspicuous progress in renewed nation building.

He did hold the presidency for the six preceding months as well, yet it was rather a transitional step in the legitimation process of ushering in the new republic, which highlighted extensive reforms and preparatory work including the adoption of the current constitution.

Thus his inauguration as the 12th-term president a year ago today marked in truer sense the opening of a new chapter in the nation's republican history--all the more so as the occasion served to establish the fifth republic, which promises viable democracy, social welfare and justice as its pronounced goals.

It is worth recalling that President Chon pledged in his inaugural address that he would devote himself to achieving freedom from three "great agonies" of the nation--the threat of war, poverty, and political repression and abuses of power--which he said was a prerequisite to building a modern industrial democracy based on sustained national growth and maturity.

This guideline, along with his vow to materialize a peaceful transfer of power at the end of his seven-year tenure, has indeed played a remarkable role in setting the pace for the development of state affairs and national life as a whole in the initial stage of the "new order."

In order to lessen if not dissipate the fear of war the president has made a series of bold and far-reaching overtures for the resolution of inter-Korean problems and ultimate territorial unification, though North Korea has so far turned a deaf ear.

Efforts to that end--and also for the republic's boosted standing and tangible exchanges in the world community--have been reflected in stepped-up diplomacy which featured President Chon's successful tour through the five member countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and summit talks with the heads of a half dozen other governments.

Noteworthy in this respect is that Seoul has been awarded the rights to host the 1986 Asian games and the Olympics two years later, both gigantic international sports events dedicated to the cause of peace.

On the domestic front, the national economy has steadily edged out of the painful slump of recession, which in 1980 registered a negative growth rate, and moreover has seen a sharp drop in the inflationary trend to the extent that the rise of commodity prices this year is hoped to be limited to less than 10 percent.

Sociopolitical development has also been outstanding. In the political arena which now features a multipartisan system, politics through dialogue and compromise has replaced the past mode of confrontation, notably at the National Assembly, to foster national reconciliation and harmony.

The on-going reform campaign has been vivid with primary emphasis placed on wiping out corruption and other social irregularities as well as on streamlining administrative agencies with the motto of "clean, efficient and less government."

Equally conspicuous and probably more significant were various measures for liberalization, ranging from the removal of the 36-year-old curfew and relaxation of regulations on overseas travel by citizens to the heightened respect for private initiative not only in the business world but also in many other social fields.

Underlining these renovations and improvements is the firm leadership in power, that is committed to the well-being and continued development of the nation in all spheres to bring about an advanced industrial democracy.

The achievements of the past year are indeed remarkable. But then, the nation faces enormous tasks and issues in the path of its progress, encompassing both domestic and international developments, which require unswerving endeavors and pool of wisdom with a forward-looking posture.

At close hand, for instance, is the fifth five-year economic and social development plan which, while promising a "second takeoff" in national life, calls for intricate arrangements for its huge investment.

Stability is paramount in the full spectrum of society, and equally essential is stepped-up evolutionary progress including further sociopolitical development to achieve a higher degree of national harmony.

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## S. KOREA/POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

### ROK SEEKS TO REDRESS 'UNREASONABLE' LAWS

SK040107 Seoul THE KOREA HERALD in English 4 Mar 82 p 1

[Text] Prime Minister Yu Chang-sun said yesterday the government will ease restrictions and redress "unreasonable" laws and systems impeding the people's ability to make the 1980s "a decade of takeoff and open society."

Explaining the direction of reforms for this year in a plenary National Assembly session, Yu said the government, in the first place, will strive to create a foundation for the autonomy of banks.

Preparations are under way to introduce the zero base system in formulating the national budget next year, and the government will "rationalize" the selection of public charges and the level of public care, he said.

The government will further streamline administrative procedures and overhaul the permit system to better serve the people's interests and convenience, he said.

Moreover, the government, the premier said, will consider rectifying various systems detrimental to national growth and development.

Yu then reiterated that he had no intention of recommending to the president to lift the political ban on former politicians, since a hasty removal may hamper efforts to establish a climate for clean politics.

He observed that the people want to create a new society and not to revive the old era.

The businessman-turned-administrator said it is still much too premature to introduce a local autonomy system, because the nation should first achieve sound economic development.

Touching on the drive to expell the "three major negative psychological elements," he said that efforts will be made to eliminate influence peddling, bribery, hoarding and cornering and other evil practices.

He said emphasis will be laid on reforming the psychological makeup of the people in carrying out the reforms.



Corruption and irrationality will be removed from officialdom by making public servants live up to their charter of ethics and oaths of service, he said.

Four lawmakers took the floor on the second day of the five-day interpellation session.

Rep. Mok Yo-sang of the opposition Democratic Korea Party (DKP) asked the government if it is willing to abrogate the political renovation law which forbids former politicians to engage in political activities until June 1988.

Mok claimed that clemency should be given to "political outcasts" to enable them to come to the forum of dialogue.

Noting an early implementation of local autonomy is essential to democratic development, the DKP lawmaker demanded local autonomy be introduced to Seoul, Pusan, Taegu and Inchon ahead of other districts at the earliest possible date.

He urged the government to formulate fundamental measures to root out anti-Korea acts in foreign countries, deploring the recently unraveled international plot to assassinate President Chon Tu-hwan.

Rep. Hyon Kyong-tae of the ruling Democratic Justice Party (DJP) asked the government how it evaluates reform projects carried out in the past year.

The ruling lawmaker argued that the nation should establish its self-identity and reformulate its values within the framework of the strong confidence and pride in "our history and traditions."

Rep. Pak Chae-uk of the opposition Korea National Party (KNP) called for the government to ascertain the rumors that political outcasts will be soon allowed to resume political activities.

Saying there is no reason to delay the implementation of local autonomy, he demanded the government commit itself to the timing for the implementation.

The KNP lawmaker said it will be desirable to create what he called a public safety committee to ensure the independence of the police.

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ROK TO UNIFY CHANNEL FOR GOVERNMENT-PARTIES TIES

SK090105 Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 9 Mar 82 p 1

[Text] Minister of State for Political Affairs Chong Chong-taek said yesterday that the government would unify the channels for cooperation with political parties in order to handle efficiently petitions and policy recommendations submitted by lawmakers and parties to the administration.

"By implementing the one-channel system, the government will be able to dispose of civil petitions officially," he told a house panel.

Briefing members of the steering committee on his office's policy programs, Minister Chong said that his office would collect all petitions from the parties and turn them over to the pertinent ministries for action based on the ministries' regulations.

All 13 standing committees of the assembly went into session yesterday for the five-day deliberation of the relevant government offices' affairs.

After hearing briefings from the ministries concerned policy programs for 1982 until today, each panel will make interpellation of the ministries until Friday as well as deliberating law bills.

During the panel meetings, four political bills proposed by the Democratic Korea Party are expected to emerge as major points at issue. They are three revisions bills of the National Assembly, basic law on press and local autonomy laws, and recommendation for the removal of a political ban imposed on former politicians.

Minister of State for National Security and Foreign Affairs No Tae-u told the steering committee that his office would hammer out a seven-year integrated Seoul Olympics plan and detailed yearly projects to stage the world sports festival successfully.

Son Su-ik, chief administrative coordinator at the premier's office, also said that an Olympics liaison office would be set up in the premier's office to control work of each ministry to support the Olympics.

An Mu-hyuk, chairman of the Social Cleanup Committee, said that his body would concentrate on launching a pan-national campaign for the expulsion of three negative attitudes--corruption, disorder and inflation--this year.



## S. KOREA/POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

### ROK PARTIES AGREE ON DISCUSSING CONTROVERSIAL BILLS

SK050103 Seoul THE KOREA HERALD in English 5 Mar 82 p 1

[Text] Three major political parties agreed yesterday to deliberate on controversial political bills including amendments to the National Assembly, local autonomy and basic press laws during the current special assembly session.

The political bills have been awaiting assembly action since they were initiated by the opposition Democratic Korea Party (DKP) and Korea National Party (KNP) late last year.

The ruling Democratic Justice Party (DJP) and the opposition DKP and KNP have long been at loggerheads over the rewriting of controversial laws. The DJP, however, remains unchanged in its position that it is still premature to amend the laws, alleging that there is no evidence of shortcomings.

Emerging from a floor leaders' meeting, DJP floor leader Yi Chong-chan said that debates on the KNP-proposed recommendation for a five-day study week for primary schools will be deferred to the next assembly session, while the new system is being tested in Seoul and Pusan.

Deliberations on amendments to the value added tax, bank and financial institution laws, all submitted by the DKP, will be postponed until after the government has presented its own amendments to the laws, Yi said.

The floor leaders of the three major parties decided to reactivate the once dormant ad hoc panel next week to resume debates on the proposed amendments and a recommendation for the removal of the political ban imposed on former politicians, he said.

Twenty of the 50 outstanding bills and one of the two pending recommendations should be settled during the current 16-day sitting, he revealed.

Among the bills to be handled in the present session are amendments to the civil proceedings and administrative punishment, government organization laws.

The floor leaders also agreed to animate the activities of a select assembly subpanel for redressing laws and orders, he said. The special subcommittee was formed during the last regular assembly session to determine which laws are to be amended.

The DJP floor leader said the assembly will convene its committees after the current session ending 13 March to continue studying pending bills.

S. KOREA/POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

AGRICULTURE MINISTER DENIES RICE SCANDAL CHARGES

SK100214 Seoul YONHAP in English 0158 GMT 10 Mar 82

[Text] Seoul, 10 Mar (YONHAP)--South Korean Agriculture-Fisheries Minister Ko Kon Tuesday denied that Korean officials were bribed by U.S. rice growing cooperatives.

He said allegations of illegal rice deals were "groundless" and said the reported rice import price manipulation is a byproduct of hectic competition for rice exports among major American grain dealers.

Ko said that under the rice import contract in question, Korea was to import 200,000 tons of California rice in 1981 at 1980 prices, but the delivery of part of the contracted amount was postponed to 1982. A new contract was signed which made the import price lower than stipulated in the original contract, Ko added.

Answering a shower of questions from lawmakers at the National Assembly Agriculture-Fisheries Committee meeting Tuesday night, Ko said the board of audit and inspection has already conducted a thorough investigation of the bribery allegations and no illegalities were found.

During a heated debate at the committee meeting which lasted from 2 p.m. Tuesday through 2:15 a.m. Wednesday, the opposition Democratic Korea Party proposed organizing a subcommittee to look into the allegations further. All committee members from the ruling Democratic Justice Party opposed the proposal and it was rejected.

Opposition lawmakers also demanded that the planned bidding for the import of 370,000 tons of American rice Wednesday be put off indefinitely.

Ko responded that rice imports from the United States should continue, arguing that international agreements should be respected.

Meanwhile, Kim Chu-ho, director of the office of supply, one of the figures named in the bribery scandal, appeared before the committee meeting in an attempt to clear up the allegations. He said he thought the Connel Company, which had monopolized U.S. rice exports to Korea until 1979, fabricated the scandal to regain its monopoly.

The Connel Company was beaten by Permi in obtaining the contract for the 200,000 tons of rice in question.

S. KOREA/POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

ROK OFFICIAL DENIES RICE SCANDAL CHARGES

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[Text] Seoul, 9 Mar (YONHAP)--Kim Chu-ho, chief executive officer of the Korean government office of supply, denied Tuesday reports that two U.S. export companies bribed Korean officials, including himself, with about six million U.S. dollars, for higher rice export prices.

Earlier in the day, the Associated Press reported the case in a dispatch from San Francisco, quoting an antitrust lawsuit filed in a U.S. federal district court.

Kim told reporters the AP story is "totally groundless," and it is only the result of incrimination brought about by intensified competition among some U.S. rice exporters.

Kim confirmed that South Korea contracted in January 1981 to buy 200,000 tons of medium grain brown Californian rice from Pacific International Rice Mills of San Francisco at 449 dollars per ton but that only 130,000 tons of the rice was brought in last year. He said the U.S. company agreed to replace the remainder with cheaper rice grown in 1981, and deliver the shipment this year.

He also said rice prices submitted at the time of bidding ranged from a maximum of 548 dollars a ton to a low of 487 dollars but that his agency managed to cut the minimum price by 37.10 dollars by signing a deal with the U.S. company to buy the rice in question for 449 dollars a ton.

By the time the contracted rice was to be shipped, the price of rice dropped sharply to 350 dollars a ton on international markets because of good harvests in 1981, Kim added.

Meanwhile, Korea's major opposition Democratic Korea Party Tuesday called for organizing an ad hoc parliamentary committee to look into the alleged scandal. Party spokesman Kim Chin-pae said in a statement that the report on the alleged six million-dollar bribe is a case which "might greatly damage the prestige of the 10 million Korean farmers as well as the Korean government."

"To look into the case, a special investigation committee should immediately be formed in the National Assembly," Kim added.

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PARTIES FAIL TO AGREE ON OPENING RICE PANEL

SK110202 Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 11 Mar 82 p 1

[Text] The minority political groups agreed yesterday to submit to the National Assembly today a resolution for the formation of a special parliamentary committee to inquire of the government about the alleged payoff scandal involving officials of the Office of Supply (OSROK) and a major U.S. rice dealer.

The motion among the Democratic Korea Party, Korea National Party and a fraternal group of independents and lawmakers from small parties is based on Article 74 of the National Assembly law which provides the parliamentary right to look into the administration.

Lawmakers on the Economy-Science Committee heard reports on the alleged bribery scandal from Deputy Premier-Economic Planning Minister Kim Chun-song and Kim Chu-ho, director general of OSROK in a session.

They will deal with the overall rice import policies of the government today after they are given more materials about rice imports from the United States.

The majority Democratic Justice Party raised a strong objection to setting up a special house panel.

Nine standing committees of the total 13 went into session yesterday.

In the Finance Committee, Finance Minister Na Ung-pae revealed that the government would take immediate measures to lower the price of Hansando and Eunhasu cigarettes to 330 won per pack from the present 350 won.

In the Legislation-Judiciary Committee, Justice Minister Yi Chong-won said that it was impossible for the government to ask the Canadian government to turn over Choe Hong-hui to Korean police, known as a wirepuller in an international plot to kill President Chon Tu-hwan, because there was no agreement between the two on the extradition of criminal suspects.

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**RESTRICTION ON COURT PROCEEDINGS**--Seoul, 26 Feb--South Korea's Supreme Court Justices have decided to prohibit the video taping, photographing and broadcast relay of court proceedings, without the consent of defendants, it was announced Friday. The regulation, which is to go into effect 10 March, will also require the consent of both defendants and plaintiffs in the case of civil suits. It will not, however, apply to cases where it is deemed by the judge to be in the public interest to allow such actions. Supreme Court officials said the decision to restrict the exposure to the public of court proceedings has been taken to protect the privacy of those undergoing trial and to ensure the order in the courts. [Text] [SK260255 Seoul YONHAP in English 0051 GMT 26 Feb 82]

**PURGED OFFICIALS POLICY EXPLAINED**--Seoul, 2 Mar (YONHAP)--South Korean Culture-Information Minister Yi Kwang-pyo Tuesday said officials purged prior to the launching of the fifth republic a year ago were free to apply for any job. The officials were purged between 26 October 1979 and 3 March 1980 for corruption and other irregularities. Noting that the ban on purged officials was lifted last 31 August, Yi said the current law does not prohibit them from working or engaging in social activities. "There are some people who do not know the termination of such prohibition, and it is possible for people who had been fired from officialdom or from state-run firms to return to their previous occupations," Yi added. [Text] [SK021323 Seoul YONHAP in English 1253 GMT 2 Mar 82]

**CELEBRATION OF CHON'S RULE**--Seoul, 3 Mar (YONHAP)--President Chon Tu-hwan celebrated the first anniversary of his inauguration as the chief executive of Korea's fifth republic. The first year of Chon's rule saw the restoration of stability after an "unprecedented" social confusion that followed the leadership vacuum which resulted from the assassination of President Pak Chong-hui on October 1979. During the past year, President Chon lost no opportunity to pledge a peaceful change of power and to stress the elimination of political corruption and irregularities. The removal of the three-decade-old curfew, the liberalization of regulations regarding uniforms and hair-cuts for secondary school students and the liberalization of overseas travel by ordinary citizens are all results of his promised pursuance of greater "openness and autonomy" for the republic. He demonstrated his strong determination to achieve the unification of the divided peninsula through peaceful means, by inviting North Korea to the dialogue table, to discuss the drafting of a common basic law for a unified Korea. He visited Washington early last year and had summit talks with U.S. President Ronald Reagan at which the two leaders



confirmed their joint determination to safeguard peace and security on the Korean peninsula. He also visited the five member countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations last year, thus paving the way for stepped-up economic cooperation, and common prosperity among nations in the Pacific basin. In an effort to achieve national conciliation, he granted amnesty six times during the past year to a total of 9,963 persons, including his political opponents. [Text] [SK030245 Seoul YONHAP in English 0238 GMT 3 Mar 82]

**PARTIES EVALUATE CHON'S ACHIEVEMENTS**--Political parties evaluated yesterday that political and social stability has been achieved in the past year, laying the foundation for a democratic welfare society. Commenting on the first anniversary of the fifth republic, Pong Tu-hwan, spokesman of the ruling Democratic Justice Party (DJP), said the DJP feels happy to have as its leader President Chon Tu-hwan who has laid the foundation for a democratic welfare society by eliminating the evil practices of the old era. The DJP will faithfully perform its duty to help strengthen the foundation of Chon's leadership, he said. Yi Sung-il, spokesman of the opposition Korea National Party (KNP), said the government and the ruling DJP should make more positive efforts to enhance national solidarity by creating an atmosphere for unreserved discussion on state affairs. Kim Sun-kyu, spokesman of the Parliamentary Fraternity Club (PFC), said a mood for harmonious politics has been created on the basis of dialogue and that conditions for a second economic takeoff have been provided in the past year. [Text] [SK040050 Seoul THE KOREA HERALD in English 4 Mar 82 p 1]

**EDITOR SENTENCED TO JAIL**--The Seoul District Criminal Court yesterday sentenced an editor of a publishing company to serve one year in prison for reproducing and selling 10 "Communist-titled" books. Judge Min Se-hong of the court found guilty Kim Chong-su, 26, editor of the Hanol Publishing Co. based in Seoul, of violating the national security and anti-communist laws by publishing Korean translations of 10 Marxist books since February in 1980. The judge also suspended Kim civil rights for one year and ordered the 10 books published by the defendant confiscated. The prosecution demanded a three-year prison term and suspension of civil rights for three years. Kim, a Seoul National University student, was arrested and indicted on 17 September last year for allegedly reproducing the communist-oriented books and putting them on sale in defiance of the national security and anti-communist laws. [Text] [SK050133 Seoul THE KOREA HERALD in English 5 Mar 82 p 8]

**SECURITY STEPS FOR OLYMPICS**--The ministry of justice plans to make a systematic and sustained effort to eliminate "any undesirable elements" that may hamper the holding of the 1988 Olympics in Seoul. In a report submitted to the current session of the National Assembly, the ministry said that it will work towards increasing the respect for law and order amongst the people. Such an attitude is needed to insure a good atmosphere for the international sports event. The ministry also said it will regard people disrupting order in tourism or damaging the good image of Koreans as elements harmful to the successful holding of the international sports event. The ministry will make a list of international terrorists and other criminals overseas in a bid to prevent them from entering the country on the occasion of the planned Olympics, the report said. It further said that a number of special processing counters will be set up at the nation's airports in Kimpo and elsewhere for the exclusive use of prospective participants in the sports event. [Text] [SK090122 Seoul THE KOREA HERALD in English 9 Mar 82 p 8]

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INTEGRATED IRON, STEEL MILL--Seoul, 5 Mar (YONHAP)--The Korean government has decided to begin construction of the country's second integrated iron and steel mill with a rated annual production capacity of 2.7 million tons, in the southern coastal port city of Kwangyang near Yosu, in July 1985. According to the finalized construction plan, released Friday by the commerce-industry ministry, a total of 2.3 billion U.S. dollars, in both domestic and foreign capital, will be poured into the project, which will be under the supervision of the state-run Pohang Iron and Steel Mill. A government subsidy of 198.9 billion won (some 280 million dollars) will cover the construction costs of basic groundwork, such as roads and railways with a combined length of 29.1 kilometers, loading and unloading waterfronts, and electric and communications facilities. The construction of these basic facilities will be completed by October 1987. Construction of five major factories to produce coke, pig iron, steel, cast iron and hot rolled steel will start in July 1985. When the projected steel mill begins commercial operation in the first half of 1988, the country's annual iron and steel production capacity will be boosted, from 12 million tons at the end of 1981, to 21 million tons and the country will rank eighth among the world countries in the production of crude oil. [as received] [Text] [SK050111 Seoul YONHAP in English 0058 GMT 5 Mar 82]

SPEEDY ECONOMIC RECOVERY FORESEEN--Seoul, 3 Mar (YONHAP)--Prime Minister Yu Chang-sun said Friday South Korea has not yet recovered from the economic slump but he predicted a speedy recovery in the second half of this year. In question and answer session in the National Assembly, Yu said he based his optimism on early orders for government construction projects expected in the near future and increase of purchasing power in rural areas. He also cited the decline of interest rates and preparations for the 1988 Seoul summer Olympics. He added that the government has no plans for shock measures to speed up the recovery of the domestic economy. Asked if domestic price increases can be limited to five percent this year, the prime minister said the government is forecasting a single-digit figure. Yu noted that prices began to stabilize in the latter half of last year, and that the stability has been maintained. He said, however, "the idea that price increases must be lower than five percent a year is a rash one, although it seems to be logically possible at the moment." [Text] [SK051141 Seoul YONHAP in English 1100 GMT 5 Mar 82]

SEABED OIL PROSPECTING RESUMED--Seoul, 6 Mar (YONHAP)--The Korean government has decided to resume seabed oil prospecting projects in the second, fourth, fifth and sixth mining zones from where Gulf, Shell and Texaco of the United States had withdrawn, returning their concessions to the government years ago. The seas surrounding the southern half of the Korean peninsula are partitioned into seven mining zones, and the government is conducting prospecting projects jointly with Japan in the seventh mining zone in East China Sea. A ranking government official said Saturday that results of the previous seismic surveys of these four exclusive mining zones will be reexamined this year to select sites for test drillings to start in 1984 at the latest. Gulf drilled two holes in the second zone and conducted a seismic survey of the fourth zone, Shell drilled two holes in the fifth zone and Texaco bored three holes in the sixth zone. But they failed to find commercially feasible seabed oil reserves. Japax of the United States has already launched prospecting projects in the fourth mining zone and is expected to dig one hole in the zone in the second half of this year. The projected oil prospecting resumption in the fourth zone will be carried out independently from Japax in the same zone, according to the official. The government plans to entrust the Korea Petroleum Development Corp. to supervise the whole of development projects in the four mining zones. With regard to prospecting projects to be conducted this year in the Korean-Japanese joint development area, the official said that one hole will be dug probably in the fifth submining zone and a seismic survey will be due in the seventh subzone. [Text] [SK060750 Seoul YONHAP in English 0739 GMT 6 Mar 82]

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## S. KOREA/SOCIAL CONDITIONS

### BRIEFS

**UNIVERSITY PROFESSORS REMOVED**--The ministry of education yesterday said 26 professors of state-run universities and colleges failed to be reappointed under a tenure system. The total breaks down to seven from Seoul National University, four from Kyongbuk National University, two each from Pusan, and Chungnam National Universities and Kyongsang National College and one each from Chonbuk, Kangwon and Cheju National Universities. The ministry said the records of 909 faculty members of 19 state-run universities and colleges were examined as their terms expired at the end of the last semester. Of them, 883 were reappointed, it said. The ministry said the committee set up at the colleges examined the teaching records of their professors and submitted their screening results to ministry authorities for review. Faculty members of state-run colleges and universities are appointed by the government under the tenure system which went into effect in 1976. The faculty members' achievements in teaching students, their health conditions, their qualities as professors and research activities were examined, the ministry said. A ministry spokesman said most of the 26 professors were dropped from reappointment because of their poor research activities and inadequate quality as professors. No one of the 26 were rejected for political reasons, he said. [Text] [SK050123 Seoul THE KOREA HERALD in English 5 Mar 82 p 8]

**OVERSEAS TRIP AGE LIMIT LIFTED**--The government plans to withdraw the age limit for those making overseas trips for sightseeing purposes from the middle part of the 1980s on a gradual basis. This is a turnabout of the foreign ministry's original plan to allow overseas sightseeing only by those aged 50 or more from January 1983, according to the ministry's report submitted to the National Assembly yesterday. [Text] [SK090053 Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 9 Mar 82 p 8]

**SNU STUDENTS EXPELLED**--A total of 62 students at Seoul National University [SNU] were expelled from the school in connection with campus disturbances during last year, it was learned yesterday. Seven of them were ousted for violating school regulations while they were suspended for involvement in other incidents, according to the school authorities. Sixty-two SNU students are still suspended in connection with campus disturbances, 41 indefinitely and the rest for fixed periods. But the authorities said, other students subject to various lighter punishments last year were allowed attendance from this semester. [Text] [SK100103 Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 10 Mar 82 p 8]

CARBINES, AMMUNITION STOLEN--Yosu (YONHAP)--Police are searching for five carbines and 900 rounds of ammunition which were stolen last week from an ordinance storage of a homeland reserve forces unit here it was belatedly learned yesterday. Police said that the rifles and ammunition were believed to have been lost during 4-7 March period. The theft at an armory of the HRF unit of the Korea Electric Power Corp. Branch Office in Chungmu-dong was found at about 3 p.m. Sunday by a guard of the branch. The guard was said to have discovered the padlock of the warehouse gate destroyed during his patrol on that holiday. Among the weapons kept in the armory, five carbines and 900 rounds were missing. Assuming that the weapons might have been taken by people attempting a robbery, police are now intensifying investigation of hooligans in the area, strengthening inspection at all checkpoints. The weapon theft was the second that has occurred here this year. Three M-1 rifles were reported stolen on 29 January at an ordinance store of Yosu High School. [Text] [SK100155 Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 10 Mar 82 p 8]

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S. KOREA/SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

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ROK TELECOMMUNICATIONS SATELLITE RESEARCH--Telecommunication satellites will be developed in the foreseeable future to remove blanket areas before the 1988 Seoul Olympic games. Minister of Culture and Information Yi Kwang-pyo said yesterday the Ministry of Communications and the Korea Broadcasting System (KBS) have started preliminary research into the development of telecommunication satellites. In reply to lawmakers' questions in a plenary National Assembly Session, Yi also said the government will reduce commercials on the state-run broadcasting system. The government acknowledges the need to create a large-scale national art museum to firmly establish the legitimacy of the nation, he said. The government has sent 17 different kinds of books to Korean residents in Communist China through third countries, and plans to send nonpolitical publications to Korean residents in other communist countries, he disclosed. [Text] [SK070243 Seoul THE KOREA HERALD in English 7 Mar 82 p 1]

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## S. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

### ROK SEEKS INTERNATIONAL PACTS ON TERRORISM

SK040054 Seoul THE KOREA HERALD in English 4 Mar 82 p 1

[Text] Minister of Foreign Affairs No Sin-yong said Korea has closely cooperated since last September with Canadian authorities in the probe of the international plot to assassinate President Chon Tu-hwan.

In reply to lawmakers' queries at a National Assembly Plenary Session, No said the Canadian foreign ministry notified Korea of the results of the six-month-long investigation on 24 February.

Korea's overseas diplomatic missions have been instructed to increase their vigilance against North Korean infiltrations, he said.

The government plans to subscribe to pertinent international treaties to protect diplomats from terrorism, he observed. Speaking of negotiations between Seoul and Tokyo over Korea's request for \$6 billion in public loans, he said the two countries will hold a foreign ministers' meeting at the earliest possible date to work out a negotiated settlement.

Leaders of the three of the four countries he recently visited, Sri Lanka, France, India and Nigeria, expressed a wish to meet President Chon, but no plan has yet been set for Chon to make overseas tours, he said.

Vice Minister of National Defense Pak Chan-kung testified that the government will curtail the period of military service for enlisted men in the army, navy and air force by one month each year, so that they will serve 30 months beginning in 1984.

At present, the enlisted men in the navy and air force serve 35 months and those in the army 33 months.

The vice minister said Korea, the United States and Japan virtually have a trilateral collective security system, in that Seoul and Washington have a mutual defense treaty and Washington and Tokyo have a similar security pact.

It is, however, difficult for Korea and Japan to establish a "direct military relationship," he said.

The nation is capable of producing most conventional weapons and some highly sophisticated warheads, and is on a par with North Korea in terms of defense industry, he said.

Pak predicted the nation will be able to outstrip North Korea in every military aspect before the mid-1980s.

Minister of Culture and Information Yi Kwang-pyo said the government will guarantee freedom of the press as far as conditions permit and that the basic press law is designed to guarantee freedom of the press and to emphasize public function of the press.

The government has no intention of revising the press law, since one year of application shows the law has no major shortcomings, Yi said.

Minister of National Unification Son Chae-sik said North Korea is rejecting "our new unification formula and 20 pilot projects" by setting forth preconditions such as the withdrawal of U.S. troops from Korea.

The government, however, will continue to make multilateral efforts with patience to persuade North Korea to come to the conference table, he said.

The government, he said, is prepared for any favorable response North Korea may make toward the formula and pilot projects.

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S. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

ROK, ECUADORIAN MINISTERS AGREE ON TRADE TIES

SK030044 Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 3 Mar 82 p 7

[Text] Commerce-industry Minister So Sok-chun and his Ecuadorian counterpart Orlando Alcivar Santos, minister of industries, foreign trade and integration, agreed yesterday to expand trade and economic cooperation between the two countries.

Informed sources close to the meeting, held at Minister So's office, said the Ecuadorian minister hoped that many Korean enterprises would invest in his country.

So called for Ecuador to increase imports of Korean automobiles, pointing to the deepening trade imbalance in favor of Ecuador. The Korean import excess last year reached \$50 million in trade with Ecuador.

The sources said the Ecuadorian minister said his country was restudying its import policies, indicating that Ecuador would give favorable consideration to countries which show adverse conditions in trade.

The visiting minister asked for Korean companies to invest in Ecuador to explore markets in the Central and South American areas.

Meanwhile, So called for the Ecuadorian government's cooperation with Korean business companies participating in Ecuadorian economic development plans.

Minister Santos, who arrived here Monday with a three-member entourage, had a series of meetings with Chang Sun-hwan, president of the Korean Trade Promotion Corporation (KOTRA); Chong Chu-yong, chairman of the Federation of Korean Industries; and Sin Pyong-hyon, chairman of the Korean Traders Association.

Last year, Korean imports from Ecuador reached \$120,104,000, while exports to that country stood at \$159,552,000. Imports mostly consisted of crude oil, and exports were mostly vessels.

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## S. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

### ROK TO SET UP RESEARCH FIRMS IN FOREIGN NATIONS

SK090059 Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 9 Mar 82 p 8

[Text] The government will establish scientific research institutes or technology-intensive firms in foreign countries or purchase such institutions already in operation overseas in an ambitious step to achieve technological renovation, it was reported yesterday.

The science-technology ministry reported to the National Assembly yesterday that a branch office of the Korea Research Institute for Chemical Technology would be established in New Jersey by the end of this year.

The U.S.-based branch office will collect advanced technological information and carry out research activities beginning next year, it said.

It went on that five researchers would be employed by the office this year and 10 more would be secured next year.

To strengthen research in the semi-conductor field, the ministry said 700 million won would be invested in the operation of a design center affiliated with the Korea Institute of Electronic Technology.

Two researchers are currently working at the Kiet's U.S.-based design center, and 18 more will be employed soon, the ministry said. According to it, the center was established in the United States last September. The ministry did not give details about the location of the center.

The major function of the design center is designing integrated circuit (IC) systems and analyzing products, the ministry said.

It said that similar institutes would be established in foreign countries in the days ahead especially to catch up with ever-advancing technology in the field of fine chemistry, semi-conductors, mechanical automation and genetic engineering.

Officials said that the ministry would continue inviting foreign researchers to local institutes while operating research bodies overseas in arduous endeavors to achieve technological renovation, which the government says is the only way to realize a "second economic take-off."

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## S. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

### BRIEFS

NEW TURKISH ENVOY TO ROY--Seoul, 26 Feb--The Turkish government Friday informed the Korean foreign ministry that it has named Bedrettin Tunabas, director of the Greece and Cyprus Bureau at the Turkish Foreign Ministry, as the new ambassador to Korea. Tunabas replaces E. Akay. Amb. Akay is scheduled to leave Seoul in late April. [Text] [SK030130 Seoul YONHAP in English 1057 GMT 26 Feb 82 SK]

INDIAN ENVOY ON CHON'S SUCCESS--Seoul, 3 Mar (YONHAP)--Indian ambassador to Korea Vasant Vasudeo Paranjpe Tuesday expressed the hope that South Korean President Chon Tu-hwan's visit to India would take place in the "foreseeable future," adding that no definite date has been fixed for Chon's visit. Paranjpe said, however, that one of the difficulties is "that our president is due for change in the middle of the year." This visit will also depend on President Chon's and the new president's schedules, he said. Referring to the first anniversary of Chon's inauguration, the Indian envoy said that Korea's Fifth Republic has made very impressive successes in various fields in such a short period. It (the republic) has restored social and political stability and economic momentum and taken a lot of initiatives in international affairs--particularly through invitational diplomacy, he said. [Text] [SK030332 Seoul YONHAP in English 0315 GMT 3 Mar 82]

AIR LINES PLANNING ROUTE TO IRAQ--Seoul, 3 Mar (YONHAP)--The Korea Air Lines (KAL) will inaugurate a new air passenger service route linking Seoul and Baghdad in Iraq, beginning late this month or early nextmonth at the latest. A KAL official said Wednesday that a Boeing-747 jumbo jet or a DC-10 plane will fly the new air route twice a week. The plane will make a technical landing in Bangkok for a brief machinery and gauge checkup and refueling, and will fly non-stop to Baghdad thereafter. On its way home, however, the plane will stop in Kuwait airport. This two-way air route will help meet the growing demand for air transport between Korea and the Middle East, the official said. Negotiations over the opening of the new air route started in the second half of last year at KAL's initiative, and successfully ended when an Iraqi delegation, led by the Vice President of the Iraq Air Lines, visited Seoul 20-23 January. Thus, KAL will become the second foreign airline to make flights to Iraq, following the Royal Jordanian Airlines. [Text] [SK030916 Seoul YONHAP in English 0707 GMT 3 Mar 82]



ROK, JAPANESE JOINT VENTURE SET--Seoul, 4 Mar (YONHAP)--The Korean and Japanese delegations to the second meeting of the Committee for the Long-Term Study of Korea-Japan Economic Cooperation agreed Wednesday to set up a body to facilitate joint ventures into third countries in the field of resources development. Winding up their two-day meeting held here, the two sides also decided to hold continuous consultations on the establishment of a "Pacific economic community," as suggested by the Japanese side. The next meeting of the committee will be held in Tokyo within the year. [Text] [SK040220 Seoul YONHAP in English 0215 GMT 4 Mar 82]

ASSEMBLY PLANS DIPLOMATIC OFFENSIVE--Seoul, 4 Mar (YONHAP)--South Korea's National Assembly plans to push its parliamentary diplomacy, including active participation at international conferences, after the current special house session ends on 13 March. According to a National Assembly official Thursday, emphasis will be placed on diplomacy toward certain international political blocs, including the Socialist International (SI) and the nonaligned nations. To this end, the official said, the assembly will seek closer cooperation with the member countries of such international forums as the Interparliamentary Union (IPU) and the Asian-Pacific Parliamentary Union (APPU). He pointed such cooperation is very important, as was demonstrated in the IPU's general meeting in Havana, last September. The assembly will send a seven-member delegation to be led by Rep. O Se-ung of the ruling Democratic Justice Party to the IPU's 30th board of directors' meeting, slated for 12-18 April in the Nigerian Capital of Lagos. [Text] [SK040146 Seoul YONHAP in English 0134 GMT 4 Mar 82]

ROK-JAPAN COUNCIL TOKYO MEETING--Seoul, 4 Mar (YONHAP)--The Korea-Japan Cooperation Council will hold its annual joint general conference in Tokyo, Japan, 11-12 March to discuss bilateral cooperative ties. Former South Korean Prime Minister Nam Tok-u presided over a preparatory gathering for the Seoul delegates here Thursday. Nam was elected to the post 22 February, replacing Kim Yong-sun. [Text] [SK041217 Seoul YONHAP in English 1100 GMT 4 Mar 82]

RCK ATOMIC ENERGY OFFICIAL MET--Seoul, 8 Mar (YONHAP)--Yen Chen-hsing, chairman of the Chinese Atomic Energy Council, paid a courtesy call on South Korean Science-Technology Minister Yi Chong-o at the latter's office here and exchanged views on bilateral cooperation in the field of atomic energy ties between the two countries. Yen arrived in Seoul over the weekend for a week visit at the invitation of the science-technology ministry. During his stay here, the Chinese is scheduled to meet with Korean atomic energy-related leaders, and to visit the Korea Advanced Energy Research Institute and the Korea Electric Power Corp. (KEPCO) in Seoul. [Text] [SK080452 Seoul YONHAP in English 0308 GMT 8 Mar 82]

SALES MISSIONS TO MIDEAST--Seoul, 9 Mar (YONHAP)--The Korea Traders Association (KTA) plans to dispatch two sales missions to Saudi Arabia and other Mideast countries this year--probably in April and October--to promote the sales of Korean-made construction materials and equipment. The KTA also plans to invite consultant engineers with foreign construction and service firms operating in the Mideast to visit Seoul this summer to help develop an effective marketing strategy for Korean-made construction equipment there. Last year, Korea exported nearly three billion U.S. dollars worth of such products,

up 27.4 percent over 1980. Construction equipment now accounts for 13.8 percent of total Korean exports, up from 13 percent in 1980 and 12.6 percent in 1979. [Text] [SK090237 Seoul YONHAP in English 0222 GMT 9 Mar 82]

**FOREIGN DIGNITARIES INVITED TO SEOUL**--Seoul, 9 Mar (YONHAP)--Korea's National Assembly plans to invite 30 top parliamentary leaders from 23 countries, including 16 heads of the legislature, to visit Korea this year, Assembly Secretary-General Wu Pyong-kyu, said Tuesday. Appearing at the Steering Committee of the country's Unicameral Parliament, Wu also disclosed that 40 Korean lawmakers will tour abroad in eight groups as part of their "parliamentary diplomacy." Seven committees of the National Assembly also plan to send inspection teams abroad during the year, Wu said. Sixteen countries whose heads of parliament were invited to visit Seoul are New Zealand, Australia, India, Bangladesh, Brazil, Mexico, Venezuela, Panama, Peru, Spain, the Netherlands, Denmark, Lesotho, Egypt, Jordan and Iran. Eight groups of lawmakers going abroad are group one to the Philippines, Burma and Malaysia 15-29 April; group two to Belgium, Luxembourg and Finland 29 March-12 April; group three to Sweden, Norway and Denmark 26 March-9 April; group four to Jordan, Tunisia and Morocco 1-16 May; group five to Brazil, Paraguay and Peru 17 May-1 June; group six to France, Portugal and Spain 12 May-26 May; group seven to the Sudan, Malawi and Kenya 2-17 June; group eight to Ivory Coast, Cameroon and Gabon (the exact date yet to be fixed). [Text] [SK090736 Seoul YONHAP in English 0730 GMT 9 Mar 82]

**SAUDI TRADE MISSION ARRIVES**--Seoul, 10 Mar (YONHAP)--A 13-member Saudi Arabian trade mission, led by Saah Mohammed al-Moazil, president of the Damman Chamber of Commerce and Industry, arrived here Tuesday afternoon at the invitation of the Korea Chamber of Commerce and Industry. During their eight-day visit the Saudi delegates will have business talks with South Korean government officials as well as economic and financial leaders. The two sides will also discuss ways to strengthen economic cooperation between the two countries. Main topics between the Saudis and Korean leaders are likely to include joint ventures and technical transfers. [Text] [SK100058 Seoul YONHAP in English 0035 GMT 10 Mar 82]

**ROK, ZAIRE MINISTERS TALKS**--Seoul, 11 Mar (YONHAP)--South Korean Commerce-Industry Minister So Sok-chun Thursday received visiting Zaire Minister of Industry and National Economy Pay-Pay We Kasige. During economic talks So pointed to bright prospects for bilateral cooperation in the future and said Korea was able to supply technology, heavy and chemical industrial products and other consumer goods to Zaire and other developing countries. So expressed the hope that Korea could participate in large-scale development projects now under way in the west-central African country and asked for the Zaire government's cooperation to help Korean firms join such projects. Accompanied by several Zaire business leaders, Kasige arrived in Seoul Wednesday for a week-long visit at So's invitation. So also called for government assistance for private economic organizations of the two countries to promote cooperation. Korea exported nearly two million U.S. dollars worth of commodities, mostly textiles to Zaire last year and imported 752,000 dollars worth of goods. Zaire maintains diplomatic ties with South and North Korea. [Text] [SK110152 Seoul YONHAP in English 0143 GMT 11 Mar 82]

## S. KOREA/FOREIGN TRADE

### BRIEFS

**EXPORTS UP IN FEBRUARY**--Seoul, 2 Mar (YONHAP)--South Korea's total exports were valued at 1.59 billion U.S. dollars in February, up 10.9 percent over the corresponding month last year, according to statistics released Tuesday by the commerce-industry ministry. According to the statistics, the country exported 3.04 billion dollars' worth of commodities during the first two months of this year, 7.3 percent more than in the same period last year. The statistics also indicated that the arrivals in February of import letters of credit (L/C) from abroad were down 8.7 percent from 1981--to 1.4 billion dollars--and that the L/C arrivals during the first two months of this year were 8.4 percent less than in the same period last year. A ministry official attributed the decrease in L/C arrivals to the "wait-and-see" attitude by foreign buyers due to the prolonged worldwide recession. South Korea's imports were valued at 1.7 billion dollars in February, down 13 percent from last year. [Text] [SK021319 Seoul YONHAP in English 1240 GMT 2 Mar 82]

**AGRICULTURAL, MARINE IMPORTS LIMITED**--Seoul, 6 Mar (YONHAP)--The Korean government will not import garlic, hot pepper, fruits, pork and other subsidiary farm and marine products whose demand can be met domestically. Answering questions from lawmakers at a National Assembly questioning session, Agriculture-Fisheries Minister Ko Kun said Friday that imports of sesame seeds and barley malt would be gradually reduced. Imports of wheat, feed grains and beef will not increase from the present level, he said. [Text] [SK060317 Seoul YONHAP in English 0036 GMT 6 Mar 82]

**JAPANESE DISCUSS TRADE IMBALANCE**--Representatives of Japanese retailers stationed in Korea were invited to a meeting yesterday held at the World Trade Center Korea Building to exchange a wide range of frank views on ways of rectifying the chronic trade imbalance between Korea and Japan. The meeting was organized by the Korean Traders Association (KTA) representing a wide spectrum of Korean business interests engaging in international trade. Kae Pong-hyok, vice chairman of the KTA, noted that Korea has sustained a combined total of \$21,978 million in trade deficit with Japan since 1966. Stressing that the chronic trade imbalance still remains basically unchanged despite the stepped efforts made by the Korean-side, Kae asked the Japanese representatives to be more sincere in their approach to the issue. For this, the Japanese representatives replied that more Japanese retailers are about to import Korean-made goods in large quantity nowadays because of the improved quality and reasonable prices. They also disclosed that Japanese retailers have opened or plan to open their buying offices in Seoul to increase their purchases from

Korean suppliers. "Korean makers should keep abreast with the changing consumer patterns in Japan if they want to increase their exports to Japan on a long-term and steady basis," one of the Japanese representatives suggested.  
[Text] [SK100133 Seoul THE KOREA HERALD in English 10 Mar 82 p 3]

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S. KOREA/INTERNATIONAL COMMENTARY

ROK DAILY VIEWS STRAINED U.S.-PRC TIES

SK060958 Seoul HANGUK ILBO in Korean 6 Mar 82 p 2

[Editorial: "Moves in Communist China"]

[Excerpts] It appears likely that the Deng Xiaoping system faces its biggest trial since the cultural revolution. While enacting a major purge of key party officials, Communist China is unable to act jointly with the United States in dealing with international problems which concern the two countries. Relations between the two countries are strained. The trials the Deng Xiaoping system faces are a result of the pragmatic line it has adopted.

We deem it desirable that the strained ties between the United States and Communist China be restored as soon as possible. When the United States and Communist China normalized their relations after issuing the Shanghai communique in 1972, they agreed to recognize the Soviet Union, which had exerted its influence all over the world, as the principal enemy. Asked to accept and understand arms sales to free China by the Reagan administration, which has evinced keen interest in the defense of free China, Beijing, which has severely criticized the United States, did not hide its anger.

Taking advantage of the strained relations between the two countries, the Soviet Union--the biggest enemy--is ogling Communist China and urging negotiations on the border issue. This draws our attention. Should U.S.-Communist Chinese ties worsen and Soviet-Communist Chinese relations improve, a change in the balance of power around the Korean peninsula may occur.

Soviet military advances in the Far East are a grave threat to the balance of power in this region. We are also aware that the Soviet Union and Communist China have tried to win North Korea to their own side.

As in the last 10 years, the restoration of normalized relations between the United States and Communist China will protect the Far East from the Soviet military threat. It will contribute to peace and stability in the Far East. We urge the government to deal prudently with the changing situation and watch the moves in Communist China and relations between the United States and Communist China.

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N. KOREA/POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

'NODONG SINMUN' LAUDS KWP GUIDANCE

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[Text] Pyongyang, 9 Mar (KCNA)—NODONG SINMUN 8 March carried a signed article titled "Great Guidance of Our Party Adding Lustre to the Chuche Idea," which reads in part:

Our party set forth a revolutionary policy of bringing about a radical turn in the party's ideological work in conformity with the demand of the historic cause of modelling the whole of society on the chuche idea and is giving a wide guidance to this end.

In deepening the party's ideological work in keeping with the demand of developing revolution today, our party is making great efforts to firmly arm the entire party members and working people with the chuche idea and thoroughly embody it.

Our party is, first of all, demonstrating the greatness and validity of the chuche idea by brilliantly embodying it in all fields of revolution and construction.

By setting forth the militant slogan of modelling the whole of society on the chuche idea, our party indicated a most correct road of successfully bringing to materialization the chuche idea, the revolutionary idea of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, in all domains of social life.

Modelling the whole of society on the chuche idea is a historic struggle for transforming people and society as demanded by the chuche idea.

In rearing people to be true communist revolutionaries, our party lays stress on firmly arming them with the revolutionary world outlook of chuche.

Through the transformation of economy and culture in keeping with the demand of the chuche idea, our party is also providing the people more satisfactorily with an independent and creative life.

It is because our party takes it as an immovable principle of its activities to embody the chuche idea that the work of rearing people as communist revolutionaries of chuche type and the struggle for transforming economy and culture are progressing successfully without any deviation in our country.



Thanks to the wise guidance of our party, our people have become a most dignified people possessed of a high degree of independence, creativeness and consciousness and the whole society is overflowing only with the pure chuche idea.

Our party is also constantly developing and enriching the chuche idea, the revolutionary idea of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

Our party's ideas, theories and policies are a sum total of the experiences and exploits achieved in the practical struggle for embodying the great chuche idea and are their theoretical generalisation. Clarified there in an all-round way are all problems arising in chuche philosophy and the development of communist revolutionary theory, all theoretical and practical problems arising in the building of the party, economy and culture and the revolutionary armed forces, external affairs, and in the accomplishment of the cause of national reunification and anti-imperialism and independence.

Our party's ideas and theories are very comprehensive and profound and no domain remains out of their reach.

All the ideas and theories set forth by our party are a direct succession to the chuche idea, the revolutionary idea of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song. Herein lies the main characteristics of our party's idea and theory.

In developing and enriching the chuche idea, the revolutionary idea of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, our party strictly lays stress on inheritance and takes it as an unshakable principle of all ideological and theoretical activities and revolutionary practice.

Today the revolutionary ideas and theories clarified by our party are powerful weapons for firmly arming our people ideologically and leading them energetically to the future of communism.

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WORKERS FOLLOW EXAMPLE OF UNSUNG HEROES, IMPROVE PRODUCT QUALITY

Pyongyang NODONG SINMUN in Korean 23 Dec 82 p 3

[Articles by special correspondent Kwon Ch'on-ho: "Visitation Report: Every Product With Care. On a Visit to Kanggye Disabled Veterans People's Fountain Pen Plant Which Is Effectively Pursuing the Movement To Follow the Examples of Unsung Heroes"]

[Text] When we visited the Kanggye Municipal Party Committee not long ago, we were told by a municipal party functionary that the party members and workers at the Kanggye Model County People's Fountain Pen Plant are producing the various kind of fountain pens of high quality with good care and conscientious effort following the lofty examples set by the unsung heroes.

We arrived at the plant around noon.

When we entered the front gate of the plant, we felt that the hot breath of the disabled veterans was surging upon us.

As we walked inside the plant, we were heartened by the news posted on a board that they achieved the production target of the year 1 month earlier than planned, even though the target was set at 1.3 times the previous year, and by bulletins depicting the trustworthy disabled veterans conscientiously making efforts to produce fountain pens of high quality.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song instructed as follows:

"The brilliant examples set by the unsung heroes is creating great sympathy in the hearts of the people, and it is directing them toward heroic achievements."

The primary party functionaries proudly told us how their plant was born of the great leader's sagacious leadership and his greatest of great care, and that they have consistently achieved the production targets every month, every quarter, and every year during the past 30 years, and finally introduced to us the people who were putting their good conscience and effort into every product, following the examples of the unsung heroes.

Among other things, we were particularly moved by the story about the disabled veterans who had heroically fought against the U.S. imperialists and their

puppets at the time of the fatherland liberation war, and who today continue working hard to bring the red flowers of revolution into full bloom.

Plant primary party functionaries showed us various kinds of fountain pens of high quality, saying that those products reflected the conscientious efforts of the disabled veterans.

We proceeded to a workshop seething with the revolutionary spirit.

The first place we visited was the molding [?] shop.

They just accomplished a month earlier the production target of this year set at 1.3 times of the previous year, and are still marching forward without a sense of complacency or conceit.

One comrade in middle age was conspicuous among others in the revolutionary column.

A primary level party functionary standing nearby proudly told us:

"The comrade is called Chu Pyong-kun, a molder, who does as much as twice the assignment given to him, following the examples of the unsung heroes."

We learned that he has been working without interruption at the plant for 30 years for the sake of the party, the leader, the fatherland, and the people.

Even when urged to stay home because of his physical handicap, Comrade Pyon-kun refused, saying that to be beautiful a flower should continue blooming, and kept devoting himself to difficult research with inexhaustible revolutionary zeal, and finally succeeded in inventing efficient tools and instruments for making fountain pens.

He worked hard with such a zeal that this year alone, he invented several more efficient tools that made it possible to increase production three times and vastly improve the quality of the products.

Such hidden efforts of disabled veterans were blossoming everywhere.

As we heard this moving story from a primary level party functionary, we entered the finishing room to see ejection machines shooting out fountain pens of various colors constantly; wounded veterans' faces were aglow with great joy.

Comrade Choe Chi-ho, who is in charge of the finishing section, said to us, pointing to the trustworthy workers who put in raw materials and take out red and blue fountain pens from the machines:

"Our work team was honored to win the red flag of the three great revolutions in October last year.

"Our workers are not complacent with the achievement they already made and are still marching forward, carrying out 200 percent of the daily assignments."

We were also impressed with the attitude of the workers who were making every effort to produce fountain pens of higher quality for the people.

Especially, Comrade Song Sun-ae, who worked as a products inspector, used to examine the products as if they were for her own personal use, even before she became inspector, and when she found the slightest defect in the products, she traced them back to the worker and determined the cause of the defect and helped them take proper measures against such defects.

With every work team we visited and every work site we visited, we were impressed by their conscientious attitude to follow the examples set by the unsung heroes.

We were especially impressed by the attitude of workers at the material section and the skillful handling of work by the disabled veterans.

There were signs saying "raw materials," "supplementary materials," "tools," at each entrance of the two-story building, which was neatly built, in a corner of the premises.

We found that it was a storage house.

We looked around in several rooms.

Every room was equipped with shelves, on which all the articles were neatly sorted by use, size, quality and marked with names.

How could the quality of the products not be improved and high achievement not made in production?

A primary level party functionary told us as we were leaving the plant:

"The campaign to follow the examples set by the unsung heroes stirred up fire in the hearts of the disabled veterans, as days pass by, and starts to bring about more results."

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N. KOREA/ECONOMY

TEXTILE PLANT WORKERS PROMOTING TECHNICAL INNOVATION, INCREASED PRODUCTION

Pyongyang NODONG SINMUN in Korean 25 Dec 82 p 3

[Article by staff reporter Myong Hong-suk: "New Upsurge in People's Consumer Goods Production: For Bigger Blazes of Technological Innovation. At Sinuiju Textile Plant"]

[Text] The party members and workers at Sinuiju Textile Plant are trying to bring a new upsurge in production so as to brilliantly conclude the first year of all-out march.

During December, they have been fulfilling their plan on a daily, weekly and a 10-day basis while guaranteeing a high standard for the quality of products.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song instructed as follows:

"In order to rapidly improve the people's living, we must bring about a great change in the production of people's consumer goods by emphasizing the development of light industries."

Upholding the great leader's instruction, the plant's primary level party committee is aggressively pushing for an organization and political work, aimed at bringing forth a new upsurge in the people's consumer goods production by intensifying flames of mass movement for technological innovation among the party members and workers.

Especially, the committee is explaining and instilling in workers the great leader's instructions on the definite improvement of the recent people's living and the party's intention, while vigorously conducting political propaganda and economic agitation designed to stimulate their revolutionary enthusiasm and creativeness and initiative.

The planning staff of the plant thoroughly weaved economic organization work designed to solve pending problems on a timely basis and grasp the actual status by deeply penetrating workers as required by the Taseon Work System.

Upholding the party's revolutionary slogan, "Production, study and life--all in the manner of the anti-Japanese guerrilla."

All functionaries are managing their work site boldly and on a large scale to live up to the revolutionary enthusiasm of the workers, thereby creating a strong fire storm of the speed war at every work site.

The 1st Twisted Yarn Shop and the 2d Weaving Shop are normalizing production at a high standard through an exemplary management of facilities and technology. All machinists participate in the management of facilities with a work attitude becoming a master and are strictly adhering to the requirements set forth under the technological regulation and the standard operating method.

And then beginning in December, they have achieved reform to produce in excess on a daily, weekly and a 10-day basis.

At the plant, everyone is vigorously pushing for an overall production with emphasis placed on the central link.

At the plant, political work was vigorously developed among the workers and technicians of the industrial power shop so that they can establish their own technological measure to guarantee the production capacity of the boiler to the maximum degree. Highly displaying the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance, the workers and technicians of this sector are making efforts to guarantee a full operation of boilers through such activities as self-manufacturing the required parts and components and the bold rearrangement of unreasonable work processes.

The members of 4.15 Technological Reform Shock Brigade of the plant who are vigorously conducting a drive to pattern after the examples set by the unsung heroes have initiated and manufactured efficient machinery facilities such as a high-speed glossing machine and put them in use for production.

Thus, they have been contributing greatly to the speeding up and modernizing of facilities. With a high sense of service to the people, the workers of the woolen textile plant have adopted an advanced work method and are displaying a high sense of responsibility so that they can make every meter of cloth more lasting and useful.

While exerting its effort in the current production, the plant is also doing preparatory work designed to bring a greater change to the production of the coming year.

With a high degree of revolutionary enthusiasm, today the workers and technicians of Sinuiju Textile Plant and the members of Three Revolutions Team are staging a vigorous march toward the seizure of the 10 major objectives in the construction of socialist economy.

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INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY ELIMINATES HEAVY LABOR

SK082324 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1520 GMT 8 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 8 Mar (KCNA)--Automation, remote control, industrial television and telemechanics are being introduced in major production processes in various domains of the national economy of Korea.

Upholding the lofty intentions of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to free for good from arduous labour our working people liberated from exploitation and oppression, the glorious party centre created a model of all-round automation at the Hwanghae Iron Works, and wisely guided the work for its generalization throughout the country.

Thanks to the party's steps, a large number of scientists and technicians were sent to factories and enterprises to help workers introduce automation and remote control in the production processes.

The youth, Cholligil and Piryugang Electrical Appliances factories and many other production centres of automation apparatuses and elements have been firmly built up to lay a foundation for the comprehensive realisation of automation and remote control in production.

At the enterprises in the mining industry including the coal and ore mines and the metallurgical, chemical and cement industries where there is relatively much labour-consuming work, the production command system by use of industrial television and telemechanics has been set up and comprehensive mechanisation, semi-automation, automation and remote control are being widely introduced.

In the ferrous metallurgical domain, automation and remote control have been realised in the operations of many blast furnaces, electric furnaces, open hearths, coking batteries and converters and production is ensured by industrial television and ultrashort wave. As a result, our furnacemen are now working with ease, freed from arduous labour.

In the domain of the power industry, remote control has been introduced in many production processes and production command personnel at the power stations organize and command production, grasping the conditions of the equipment and water scores of ri away (10 ri is four kilometres) through the control apparatuses.

In the railway transport, operations have been semi-automated at more than 30 major railway stations and 130 sections, with the result that a big success has been achieved in making the train operation high speed.

Some time ago the Central Industrial TV Control Room was built at the Taean General Heavy Machine Works and an electronic computer capable of doing a rapid calculation of over 60,000 items installed there to scientise and rationalise the production command and management activity.

Automation, remote control, and industrial television are also being rapidly introduced in the construction, fishing and light industries, too.

Heat-affected and harmful labour was eliminated in various domains including the metal, chemical and cement industries and the modernisation and scientisation of the national economy are progressing apace.

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## N. KOREA/KOREANS IN JAPAN

### CHONGNYON MEETING MARKS 1 MARCH UPRISING

SK040420 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0357 GMT 4 Mar 82

[Text] Tokyo, 2 Mar (KNS-KCNA)--A central meeting of Koreans in Japan for commemorating the 63rd anniversary of the March 1 popular uprising, a nationwide anti-Japanese resistance, smashing the "two Koreas" plot of the enemies and accelerating the independent and peaceful reunification of the country was held at the Korean House of Culture in Tokyo on 1 March.

Placed on the platform of the meeting hall was a portrait of the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song.

The meeting was attended by functionaries of the General Association of Korean Residents in Japan (Chongnyon) and compatriots, 3,000 in all.

Pak Chae-no, vice-chairman of the Central Standing Committee of Chongnyon, made a speech at the meeting.

He said: The March 1 popular uprising demonstrated to the world the patriotic fighting spirit and stamina of the Korean people who struggle to the end in defiance of any sacrifice against foreign aggressors trying to trample underfoot the independence of the country and the dignity of the nation.

The liberation of the country desired so ardently by the March 1 uprisers was brilliantly achieved thanks to the victory of the anti-Japanese armed struggle organized and guided by the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song.

But in South Korea the colonial rule of foreign aggressors is still continuing, he noted.

Pointing out that these days the U.S. imperialist aggressors are running wild again in the new war provocation manoeuvres, he strongly held that the U.S. imperialists must get out of South Korea at once, taking along all their weapons of aggression.

Today the Japanese reactionaries reinvasion of South Korea has become all the more undisguised with the backing of the U.S. imperialists, he said, and stressed: The Japanese authorities must look straight at the situation, act with discretion and immediately stop encouraging the Chon Tu-hwan military fascist clique.

Laying bare the criminal act of the Chon Tu-hwan-bossed traitors in faithfully serving the splittist manoeuvres of the U.S. and Japanese masters, he exposed the deceptive nature of the so-called "unification proposal" brought forward by them recently and their sinister aim to keep Korea divided indefinitely and realize their long-term office.

In conclusion, he called for actively explaining and propagandizing internally and externally the content and justness of the proposal for founding the Democratic Confederal Republic of Koryo put forward by the great leader, and waging a vigorous struggle, as the immediate task, to realise at an early date the 100-men joint conference participated in by politicians in the north and south and abroad, proposed by the Committee for the Peaceful Reunification of the Fatherland.

Speeches expressing solidarity were made at the meeting by socialist member of the House of Representatives Seiichi Ikehata, communist member of the House of Representatives Masako Kobayashi, director of the National Movement Department of the General Council of Trade Unions of Japan (Sohyo) Kansaku Yagi and representative member of the Japan Committee for Supporting the Independent and Peaceful Reunification of Korea Hiroshi Wakabayashi.

The meeting was also addressed by representatives of the League of Korean Youth in Japan, the Democratic Union of Korean Women in Japan, the Federation of Korean Traders and Industrialists in Japan and men of the press.

A letter to the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song was adopted at the meeting.

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## N. KOREA/KOREANS IN JAPAN

### CHONGNYON GREETES KIM IL-SONG ON SPA ELECTION

SK050858 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0824 GMT 5 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 5 Mar (KCNA)--The Central Standing Committee of the General Association of Korean Residents in Japan (Chongnyon) on 2 March sent a message of greetings to the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song upon his election to the Supreme Peoples Assembly, according to a KNS report from Tokyo.

The message says:

The election of you, the great leader to the Supreme Peoples Assembly of the DPRK, an invincible weapon for the victory of the cause of *chuche*, is a clear reflection of the burning will and desire of the entire compatriots at home and abroad to entrust their destinies wholly to you the fatherly leader and achieve the eternal prosperity of the fatherland and the nation under the outstanding guidance and warm loving care of you the respected leader and their brilliant realization.

In the recent elections the entire voters in the socialist homeland achieved a shining success--one hundred percent participation and one hundred percent casting of approval votes. This is a proud demonstration of the rock-firm unity and cohesion of the people in the homeland rallied closely around you the respected leader and the sagacious party centre and of the invincible might of the power of the DPRK.

In the recent elections seven representatives of Chongnyon and Korean Residents in Japan were elected deputies to the Supreme Peoples Assembly, the highest honour as citizens of the DPRK.

This is the greatest glory and happiness given to the entire functionaries of Chongnyon and Korean Residents in Japan thanks to the warmest love and solicitude of you the great leader who are concerned to provide compatriots living in an alien land with a life as proud masters of a sovereign and independent state and lead Chongnyon and Korean Residents in Japan to the end along the road of the sacred struggle for the accomplishment of the cause of *chuche*.

We will reply with loyalty the profound solicitude of you the respected leader by achieving greater development and new successes in all patriotic work of

Chongnyon through the intensification of the patriotic innovation movement of loyalty and thereby making this year a most glorious year in the history of the movement of Koreans in Japan.

The message sincerely (?wishes) good health and a long life to the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song.

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N. KOREA/KOREANS IN JAPAN

BRIEFS

CHONGNYON CELEBRATES KIM IL-SONG BIRTHDAY--Pyongyang, 8 Mar (KCNA)--An art troupe of Koreans in Japan headed by Kim Apil, director of the Cultural Department of the Central Standing Committee of the General Association of Korean Residents in Japan (Chongnyon), arrived in Pyongyang by train on 7 March on a visit to the homeland for celebrating the 70th birthday of the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song. It arrived in Wonsan on 6 March by the ship "Mangyongbong." [Text] [SK080445 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0410 GMT 8 Mar 82]

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## N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

### KAESONG PEOPLE WELCOME JSP ACTIVISTS

SK070930 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0903 GMT 7 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 7 Mar (KCNA)--The young people of Kaesong held a meeting on 5 March to warmly welcome the young activists delegation of the Japan Socialist Party headed by Hajime Fukata, member of its Central Executive Committee and director of the youth and children department.

Kim Chong-yong, chairman of the Kaesong Municipal Committee of the League of Socialist Working Youth of Korea, made a speech at the meeting.

He expressed full support and firm solidarity for the just struggle waged by the Progressive Youth of Japan under the slogan of anti-monopoly, anti-war, anti-military base and anti-self-defense forces.

He wished the progressive youth organisations of Japan great success in their activities including the struggle to establish a nuclear-free, peace zone in Asia and the Pacific region through the anti-nuclear, peace movement.

Pointing out that the bonds of friendship between the League of Socialist Working Youth of Korea and the Progressive Youth Organisations of Japan are daily growing stronger, he said: The Korean people and youth will vigorously struggle in firm unity with the broad segments of the Japanese people and youth and all the progressive youths of Asia to build a peaceable and prospering, new Asia and develop and strengthen the friendly relations between the Korean and Japanese peoples.

After concluding his speech, he conveyed a silk banner to the head of the delegation in the name of the Kaesong Municipal Committee of the League of Socialist Working Youth of Korea.

Head of the delegation Hajime Fukata spoke next:

Having the honour of visiting Korea in a very auspicious year celebrating the 70th birthday of the Great President Kim Il-song and the 40th birthday of respected Mr Kim Chong-il, the successor to the chuche cause, we cannot repress our emotion. We wholeheartedly congratulate you on these auspicious holidays.

During its stay in your country the delegation visited Mangyongdae where the great President Kim Il-song was born and learned the revolutionary activities of the great president.

While inspecting the Pyongyang Maternity Hospital, the ice rink and others built under the meticulous guidance of respected Mr Kim Chong-il and the Pyongyang Metro and the Pyongyang Students and Childrens Palace, we saw socialist construction in Korea and came to be firmly convinced of the prospect for the development of your country.

Saying that the Japanese reactionary government was giving a shot in the arm of the Chon Tu-hwan puppet "regime" of South Korea, pursuing a hostile policy towards the DPRK, he declared: We harden our determination to intensify the struggle against this.

He further said:

The Japan Socialist Party and our delegation fully and resolutely support the historic proposal for founding the Democratic Confederal Republic of Koryo which is based on the three principles of national reunification and the ten-point policy of the unified state and the proposal for convening a joint conference of 100 Koreans.

The Chon Tu-hwan fascist clique is not entitled to talk about reunification.

We demand that the U.S. troops immediately withdraw from South Korea.

Concluding his speech, he congratulated the 70th birthday of respected President Kim Il-song, the great leader of the revolution, and wholeheartedly wished good health and a long life to the great President Kim Il-song and respected Mr Kim Chong-il.

Present at the meeting were chairman of the Central Committee of the LSWYK Yi Yong-su and other personages concerned and working youth in Kaesong.

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## N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

### 'MINJU CHOSON' CALLS FOR NUCLEAR-FREE, PEACE ZONES

SK051547 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1511 GMT 5 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 5 Mar (KCNA)--"Establishment of Nuclear-Free, Peace Zones is Demand of Present Situation" is the headline of a MINJU CHOSON article Friday.

Pointing out that the imperialists are making desperate efforts to maintain and expand their domination, dismayed at the daily growing anti-imperialist and independent action of the progressive people and fierce flames of revolutionary struggle raging everywhere, the author of the article says: Owing to these manoeuvres of theirs, the danger of a new world war is felt in Korea, in the Middle East and in Europe.

The obtaining situation raises it as a preferential task of the world peace-loving people to struggle to thwart and frustrate the imperialists manoeuvres of aggression and war and defend peace and security of the world.

To prevent the outbreak of a new world war and save mankind from a nuclear holocaust, the test, production, stockpile and use of the nuclear weapons must be banned and all the nuclear weapons be completely abandoned in all parts of the world.

This can be successfully achieved only through the course of establishing nuclear-free, peace zones in many regions of the world and constantly expanding them.

Peace and security of the world can never be achieved by the so-called "balance of forces" of the military blocs; they can be durable and everlasting only when the globe is cleared of all the aggressive armed forces, means of war and military blocs.

With the imperialists arms buildup and their manoeuvres to secure military bases becoming evermore undisguised, the establishment of the nuclear-free, peace zones is inevitably accompanied by an anti-imperialist struggle and premises it. In a nutshell, the struggle for establishing nuclear-free, peace zones is an urgent struggle for precipitating the course of the decline and ruin of imperialism, hastening the victory of the anti-imperialist, independent forces and for defending peace against war.

Declaring that the struggle for establishing them has a realistic possibility, the article goes on:

The anti-imperialist, independent forces and the anti-war, peace forces are constantly growing in strength on the global scale and the imperialist reactionary forces are being isolated and weakened day by day. The non-aligned movement is a mighty anti-war, peace forces of our era; the expansion and development of this movement greatly contribute to defending world peace and security against the imperialists policy for aggression and war.

The struggle for checking the production of neutron weapons and establishing nuclear-free, peace zones is going on vigorously in many countries of Asia and Europe and many regions of the world and it deals a telling blow to the imperialists policies of aggression and war.

The Korean people will strive to convert the Korean peninsula into a nuclear-free, peace zone and actively support and encourage the struggle of the world peaceloving people for establishing nuclear-free, peace zones in Asia, the Middle East, Africa, Latin America and Europe.

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## N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

### JSP ACTIVISTS HOLD PARTY, PRAISE KIM CHONG-IL

SK090507 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0422 GMT 9 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 9 Mar (KCNA)--The young activists delegation of the Japan Socialist Party arranged a party on the evening of 8 March upon the conclusion of its Korean visit.

Invited to the party were Hyon Chun-kuk, Yi Yong-su and other personages concerned.

The party was addressed first by head of the delegation Hajime Fukata, member of the Central Executive Committee of the Japan Socialist Party and director of its youth and children department.

Having had the honour of visiting the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea, the land of chuche, in the significant year in which the 70th birthday of the respected great President Kim Il-song and the 40th birthday of respected Mr Kim Chong-il are celebrated, we feel ourselves favored with great vigor and new guideline in our life.

He further said:

Going round various places including the ice rink, the circus theatre and the Mansudae Art Theatre built under the meticulous guidance of respected Mr Kim Chong-il, we could see the pulsating features of your country.

Seeing Pyongyang, a peaceful and beautiful city of parks, we could feel the value of peace and were struck with admiration at the loyalty of the Korean people and youth to the respected great President Kim Il-song.

During our visit, we also keenly felt how ardently the Korean people long for the country's reunification. We could hardly repress bitter anger at the U.S. imperialists, the enemy dividing Korea, and the Japanese government and reactionaries tied up with them.

He proposed to drink a toast wholeheartedly wishing good health and a long life to the respected great President Kim Il-song and respected Mr Kim Chong-il.

Chairman of the Central Committee of the League of Socialist Working Youth Yi Yong-su spoke next.



The visit of the delegation to our country, brief as it was, was significant days which have further deepened friendship and amicable feelings between us, he said.

He declared that the Korean youth who treasure their friendly relations with the progressive youth of Japan will struggle vigorously in the future, too, to defend peace and security in Asia and the world shoulder to shoulder with the Japanese youth of broad strata.

The party proceeded in a friendly atmosphere.

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N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

'VRPR' REPORTS EGYPTIAN MEETING ON KIM CHONG-IL

SK030805 (Clandestine) Voice of the Revolutionary Party for Reunification in Korean to South Korea 0300 GMT 3 Mar 82

[Text] Cairo--A meeting of Egyptian sports personnel, including those of the Egyptian Table Tennis League, was held on 14 February to congratulate dear comrade leader Kim Chong-il on the occasion of his birthday.

At the meeting, a letter to the dear comrade leader was adopted amid a storm of applause.

Chairman (Amin Abu Heif) of the Egyptian Table Tennis League delivered a report in which he said: Sixteen February is the birthday of His Excellency Kim Chong-il, the dear comrade leader of the Korean people and the kind friend of the Egyptian people, and on this occasion I would like to extend warm congratulations to the dear comrade leader, a man of extraordinary wisdom, outstanding leadership and noble virtues who the Korean people revere and hold in high esteem as the wise leader [Yongmyonghan Chidoja] for his great achievements for the fatherland the people.

His Excellency dear comrade leader Kim Chong-il, he said, takes charge of overall affairs of the party and state, giving detailed guidance, and brings about continuous upsurges in all domains. The astonishing successes being scored in the north, he said, are the fruition of the wise leadership of His Excellency Kim Chong-il, the wise leader.

In the report, Chairman (Heif) expressed the hope that Korea will be reunited at an early date in line with the proposal for founding the Democratic Confederal Republic of Koryo, a proposal set forth by the great President Kim Il-song, and wished dear comrade leader Kim Chong-il good health and long life.

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N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

DEAR PAPERS MARK CZECHOSLOVAK VICTORY DAY

SK251534 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1512 GMT 25 Feb 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 25 Feb (KCNA)--Papers here today dedicate articles to the 34th anniversary of the February victory of the Czechoslovak people.

In a signed article titled "February Victory Which Opened Up Road to Socialism" NODONG SINMUD/ stressed that the Czechoslovak people embarked upon the worthwhile struggle for building socialism by winning victory in the February event.

The article says:

Since the February event the Czechoslovak people have energetically carried on socialist construction, smashing at every step the subversive manoeuvres and sabotages of the enemies at home and abroad, and thus radically changed the face of the country.

The Korean people sincerely rejoice over the successes achieved by the fraternal Czechoslovak people in the struggle for building a developed socialist society under the leadership of the Czechoslovak Communist Party.

The peoples of Korea and Czechoslovakia have forged the friendly relations and supported and cooperated with each other in the common struggle against imperialism and for the victory of the cause of socialism.

Our people are convinced that the friendly and cooperative relations between Korea and Czechoslovakia will expand and develop favourably in the future, too, as in the past.

Warmly greeting the fraternal Czechoslovak people on the 34th anniversary of the February victory, the Korean people wholeheartedly wish them greater success in their future struggle for the implementation of the decisions of the 16th Congress of the party.

A signed article of MINJU CHOSON wishes the Czechoslovak people greater success in the struggle for the development and prosperity of the country.

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## N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

### POLISH SOLIDARITY COMMITTEE SCORES TEAM SPIRIT

SK090407 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0331 GMT 9 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 9 Mar (KCNA)--The Polish Committee for Solidarity with Nations of Asia and Africa recently made public a statement denouncing the joint military exercises of the U.S. imperialist aggression troops and the South Korean puppet army codenamed "Team Spirit 82," according to a report from Warsaw.

The statement says:

At a time when the patriotic forces of Korea are bending efforts to ease tension on the Korean peninsula and reunify the country peacefully, the Washington administration is demonstrating U.S. armed forces in this region.

Branding the "Team Spirit 82" as a high-handed provocation of the Reagan administration against the Korean people, the government of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea bitterly denounced the U.S. policy of threat and military blackmail against them. This policy arouses apprehensions among the Asian countries and faces opposition and denunciation by the forces advocating peace and international cooperation.

The Polish Committee for Solidarity with Nations of Asia and Africa which has always supported the just struggle of the Korean people for national reunification protests against the United States increasing political and military threats to the socialist countries, the statement declares, and adds: Such acts of the United States aggravate international situation and threaten peace in Asia and the world.

In conclusion the statement expresses strong support in the name of the Polish people to the Korean people struggling to force foreign troops to withdraw from South Korea and consolidate peace on the Korean peninsula.

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N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

ROMANIAN NEWSPAPER NOTES KIM CHONG-IL GUIDANCE

SK021038 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1025 GMT 2 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 2 Mar (KCNA)--The Romanian paper SCINTEIA 16 February published an article titled "DPRK, Love of Creative Labour," according to a report.

The paper said:

All people who have visited the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea say that it is a country where the building of a new society is going on extensively in reliance on the industry and boldness of her people and thanks to the correct policy of the Workers Party of Korea.

In Pyongyang new streets, flats and public and cultural buildings are making their appearance year after year. It is a city constantly taking on modern looks.

One of the characteristic features of the appearance of Pyongyang is that it has many public and cultural buildings. To cite only a few among the city's new buildings, there are the Changgwang Health Complex and the Pyongyang Maternity Hospital.

The director of the Changgwang Health Complex said:

The construction of all the public and cultural buildings is guided by the party centre.

Comrade Kim Chong-il, member of the presidium of the political bureau, and secretary, of the Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea, called on us several times and guided us to find a most rational way in the designing and construction.

It is entirely thanks to his most correct guidance that these buildings have been constructed on the worlds best level.

The paper continued:

The Changgwang Health Complex is equipped with excellent facilities from making toilet to training body, and its swimming pool and diving board where even Olympic games can be held give particular impressions. [Sentence as received]

The paper introduced the scale and equipment of the Pyongyang Maternity Hospital and the Kim Il-song University.

Noting that another monumental structure of Pyongyang is the metro, the paper said:

The mural paintings and sculptures of the metro bring into relief the specific features of each station by depicting the scenic beauty of Korea and the history of the heroic struggle of the people and serve as a true textbook of the revolution and construction as a whole.

They also play an excellent role in the revolutionary and patriotic education by vividly showing through what struggle, at what cost and by what efforts and sacrifices today's independence and freedom and the gains of socialism have been achieved to the people, youth in particular.

This is only a partial description of the great creative strength of a free people who are shaping their destinies by their own efforts under the leadership of the Workers Party of Korea and its Central Committee.

At the same time, these successes bear witness to the superiority of the socialist system and the capability of meeting the increasing material and cultural demands of the working people and bettering their life.

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## N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

### ROMANIAN PAPER NOTES PRAISE OF KIM CHONG-IL

SK042257 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1507 GMT 4 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 4 Mar (KCNA)—The Romanian paper ROMANIA LIBERA 16 February published an article headlined "DPRK: Movement for Following Examples of Unassuming Heroes," according to a report.

Noting that a brisk movement is under way in socialist Korea for following the examples of the unassuming heroes, the paper says:

This movement has penetrated deep into all spheres of the Korean peoples life.

It is generalized in the economic domain, where all efforts are directed to introducing new technical processes and raising the technical level of the working people for the overfulfillment of the production plans.

Great changes have taken place in the cultural domain, too. Remarkable successes have been achieved in architecture for building monumental edifices and in the creation of literary and musical works.

The political preparedness of the masses has risen very high through the movement for following the examples of unassuming heroes.

The Sixth Congress of the Workers Party of Korea called for strengthening and developing this movement and highly appreciated the examples of the unassuming heroes.

Underscoring the significance of the movement in the overall socio-political life of the Korean people today, Koreans say proudly:

It is Comrade Kim Chong-il, member of the presidium of the political bureau, and secretary, of the Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea, who energetically leads the people to be modest, simple and devoted in labour in their daily life.

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## N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

### BURUNDI PRESIDENT MEETS WITH YIM CHUN-CHU

SK052302 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2211 GMT 5 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 6 Mar (KCNA)--Burundi President Jean-Baptiste Bagaza on 2 March met the delegation of the Workers Party of Korea headed by Comrade Yim Chun-chu, member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea and secretary of the Central Peoples Committee, according to a report.

The head of the delegation conveyed cordial regards of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to the president.

The president expressed deep thanks for the cordial regards and asked the head of the delegation to convey his warm greetings to the great leader.

The president expressed satisfaction with the excellent development of friendly and cooperative relations between Burundi and Korea.

Pointing out that the proposal for founding the Democratic Confederal Republic of Koryo advanced by the great President Kim Il-song was a most fair and above-board one, the Burundi president said: Burundi will extend active support to the Korean people till the cause of Korean reunification has been realised.

The conversation proceeded in a friendly atmosphere.

Present on the occasion were the members of the delegation, the DPRK ambassador to Burundi and the minister of the interior who is member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Burundi Party of National Unity and Progress.

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N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

'KCNA' CITES YIM CHUN-CHU, KWP GROUP SOJOURN IN BURUNDI

SK030444 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0343 GMT 3 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 3 Mar (KCNA)--The Burundi Party of National Unity and Progress arranged a banquet on 26 February in honour of the delegation of the Workers Party of Korea headed by Comrade Yim Chun-chu, member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the WPK and secretary of the Central Peoples Committee, according to a report.

The banquet was addressed by Mandi Stanislas, member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Burundi Party of National Unity and Progress and minister of the interior, and the head of the delegation.

The minister of the interior said: The Burundi party and people are following with keen interest the splendid successes made by the friendly Korean people by applying the chuche idea under the wise leadership of the Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea headed by the respected, great leader Comrade President Kim Il-song.

The example set by the Korean people in the revolution and construction is an example for the Third World countries striving to build the national economy in reliance upon their own strength.

The Burundi party and people, he stressed, actively support the proposal for founding the Democratic Confederal Republic of Koryo and its ten-point policy put forward by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song at the Sixth Congress of the Workers Party of Korea and there will be no change in this stand.

The participants in the banquet raised glasses to the good health and long life of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and to the good health and long life of President Jean-Baptiste Bagaza.

Talks between the delegations of the Workers Party of Korea and the Burundi Party of National Unity and Progress was held on 27 February.

The talks took place in a comradely and friendly atmosphere.

On the same day, the delegation inspected a construction site and toured the city of Bujumbura.

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## N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

### KWP DELEGATION LEAVES BURUNDI

SK061630 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1536 GMT 6 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 6 Mar (KCNA)--The delegation of the Workers Party of Korea headed by Comrade Yim Chun-chu, member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea and secretary of the Central Peoples Committee, left Burundi on 3 March, concluding its visit to her.

It was seen off at the airport by the secretary general of the Central Committee of the Burundi Party of National Unity and Progress, the minister of interior who is member of the Political Bureau of the Party Central Committee, and the administrative secretary and the secretary in charge of production and economic development of the national permanent secretariat of the party who are members of the Party Central Committee, the secretary in charge of external relations of the National Permanent Secretariat of the Party, the chairman of the Burundi-Korea Friendship Association, the chairman of the Burundi Committee for Supporting Koreas Reunification and other personages concerned.

Also present at the airport were the ambassador and officials of the DPRK embassy in Burundi.

On 2 March the delegation met and had a talk in a friendly atmosphere with the minister of foreign affairs and cooperation who is member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Burundi Party of National Unity and Progress.

On the evening of the day the delegation arranged a party upon the conclusion of its Burundi visit.

While staying there, the delegation inspected a tea plantation and an irrigation setup.

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## N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

### YIM CHUN-CHU-LED GROUP ARRIVES IN BURUNDI

SK282338 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2218 GMT 28 Feb 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 1 Mar (KCNA)--A delegation of the Workers' Party of Korea headed by Comrade Yim Chun-chu, member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the WPK and secretary of the Central Peoples Committee, arrived in Burundi on 26 February, according to a report.

It was met at the airport by Mandi Stanislas, member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Burundi Party of National Unity and Progress and minister of the interior, the administrative secretary of the National Permanent Secretariat of the party who is a member of the Central Committee of the party, the chairman of the Burundi-Korea Friendship Association, the chairman of the Burundi Committee for Supporting Korea's Reunification and other personages concerned.

Also present at the airport were the DPRK ambassador and officials of his embassy in Burundi.

On the same day the delegation left Rwanda.

It was seen off at the airport by Habimana Bonaventure, general secretary of the National Revolutionary Movement for Development of Rwanda, the Kigali prefectural governor and the director of an oil company who are members of the Central Committee of the movement, and other personages concerned.

Also present at the airport were the DPRK ambassador and officials of his embassy in Rwanda.

While staying in Rwanda, the delegation inspected the Konombo coffee plantation in Kigali and the Kigali prefectural agro-stock farm.

On 25 February the delegation arranged a party upon the conclusion of its visit to Rwanda.

The party proceeded in a friendly atmosphere.

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## N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

### CHONG CHUN-KI, DPRK DELEGATION ARRIVE IN CONGO

SK080515 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0411 GMT 8 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 8 Mar (KCNA)--A Korean government delegation headed by Vice-Premier Chong Chun-ki arrived in Brazzaville by ship on 4 March for a visit to the Congo, according to a report.

It was met at the port by the minister of delegate to presidency in charge of national defence who is member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Congolese Party of Labour, the minister of culture and art, the minister of agriculture and stock-breeding, the minister of justice, members of the Central Committee of the party, and other personages concerned.

The ambassador and officials of the Korean embassy in the Congo were also present.

Head of the delegation Chong Chun-ki reviewed a guard of honour in company with the minister of delegate to presidency in charge of national defence of the Congo.

A large crowd of people warmly welcomed the delegation at the port.

The head of the delegation issued an arrival statement.

He said in his statement that the delegation arrived in the Congo on a noble mission to deepen understanding and trust and strengthen and develop the friendly and cooperative relations between Korea and the Congo.

Noting that the two countries are both member nations of the nonaligned movement which have established friendly ties in the course of their struggle for a common purpose against imperialism and colonialism and for the realisation of independence, he said:

We are glad to have an opportunity of seeing at first hand, through our visit to your country, the struggle of your people closely united around the Congolese Party of Labour headed by respected Comrade President Denis Sassou Nguesso for the prosperity of the country and the building of a new life.

Korea and the Congo are intimate comrades-in-arms and brothers who have developed friendly and cooperative relations from long ago.



We believe that these relations between the two peoples will grow stronger and develop in the future in mutual interests in accordance with the idea of independence, friendship and peace.

The delegation left Zaire by ship on 4 March.

It was seen off by the commissioner of state for foreign affairs and international cooperation and other personages concerned of Zaire.

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N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

CHONG CHUN-KI CALLS ON CONGOLESE PRIME MINISTER

SK080532 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0443 GMT 8 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 8 Mar (KCNA)--Vice-Premier Chong Chun-ki, head of the government delegation of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea, paid a courtesy call on Louis Sylvain Goma, prime minister of the Congo, on 4 March, according to a report.

The prime minister stressed that the friendly and cooperative relations formed long ago between the Congo and Korea were made more solid with a historic meeting between Marien Ngouabi, ex-president of the Congo, and the great leader President Kim Il-song.

The Congo has consistently supported the Korean peoples just struggle for the reunification of the country, he said.

The talk took place in a friendly atmosphere.

Present there were the members of the delegation and the Korean ambassador to the Congo, and the minister of delegate to presidency in charge of national defence who is member of the Political Bureau of C.C., the Congolese Party of Labour, the diplomatic advisor of the prime ministers office and other personages concerned.

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N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

'KCNA' REPORTS SOJOURN OF DPRK DELEGATION IN CONGO

SK080523 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0434 GMT 8 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 8 Mar (KCNA)--The government delegation of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea headed by Vice-Premier Chong Chun-ki had talks with a government delegation of the Peoples Republic of the Congo on 4 March, according to a report.

Present at the talks on the Korean side were the members of the delegation and the Korean ambassador to the Congo, and on the Congolese side were minister of delegate to presidency in charge of national defence who is member of the political bureau, C.C., the Congolese Party of Labour, the diplomatic advisor at the prime ministers office and other personages concerned.

The talks took place in a friendly atmosphere.

On the same day the delegation laid a wreath at the grave of Marien Ngouabi.

The Congolese government feted the Korean government delegation that day.

Speeches were made at the party by the minister of delegate to presidency in charge of national defence and the head of the Korean government delegation.

The former stressed in his speech that the world people deeply revere the great Comrade Kim Il-song as the outstanding leader.

He declared that the Congo would invariably support the Korean peoples struggle for national reunification.

On 5 March the delegation inspected Marien Ngouabi University and other places.

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N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

'KCNA' REPORTS SOJOURN OF KONG CHIN-TAE IN GUINEA

SK040428 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0407 GMT 4 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 4 Mar (KCNA)--Vice-Premier Kong Chin-tae, special envoy of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, on 27 February visited Kindia, a local city of Guinea, and was invited to a Kindia provincial mass meeting, according to a report.

A guard of honour was standing at the entrance of the meeting hall.

More than 1,000 people enthusiastically welcomed the special envoy and his party, shouting "Long live President Kim Il-song!" and "Long live President Ahmed Sekou Toure!"

Speeches were made at the meeting by the provincial governor and the special envoy.

In his speech the provincial governor stressed: The Guinean people fully support the Korean peoples cause of national reunification and the proposal for founding the Democratic Confederal Republic of Koryo to accomplish this cause.

That day the special envoy of the great leader inspected the Kim Il-song Agricultural Science Institute.

A welcoming function took place there.

The special envoy was accompanied by Guinean Prime Minister Lansana Beavogui.

That evening the special envoy was invited to a film show and an art performance at the Peoples Palace.

Earlier, on 26 February, the special envoy inspected a construction site.

He was accompanied by the prime minister, the permanent secretary of the party of state of Guinea, the minister of housing, domains and town-planning and the secretary general of the ministry of international cooperation.

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N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

KONG CHIN-TAE DEPARTS GUINEA, ARRIVES IN EGYPT

SK052317 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2215 GMT 5 Mar 82

[Text] Cairo, 5 Mar (KCNA)--A government delegation of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea headed by Vice-Premier Kong Chin-tae arrived in Cairo on 3 March for a visit to Egypt.

The delegation was met at the airport by Kamal Hasan 'Ali, deputy prime minister and foreign minister of the Arab Republic of Egypt, and other personages concerned.

In his arrival statement at the airport, the head of the delegation said that the Korean people would always stand foursquare behind the Arab peoples including the Egyptian people in the struggle to take back the occupied Arab lands and achieve the territorial integrity and national sovereignty.

He expressed the conviction that the delegations visit to Egypt would be an important occasion in further developing the friendly and cooperative relations between Korea and Egypt.

Earlier, on 1 March, Vice-Premier Kong Chin-tae left Conakry after concluding his visit to Guinea as a special envoy of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

Guinean Premier Lansana Beavogui and other personages concerned saw him off at the airport.

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N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

EGYPT'S MUBARAK MEETS DPRK'S KONG CHIN-TAE

SK070942 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0914 GMT 7 Mar 82

[Text] Cairo, 5 Mar (KCNA)--Muhammad Husni Mubarak, president of the Arab Republic of Egypt, on 4 March met the Korean government delegation headed by Vice-Premier Kong Chin-tae.

The head of the delegation conveyed a personal letter and cordial regards of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to the president.

The president expressed deep thanks for the personal letter and cordial regards and asked the head of the delegation to convey his warmest greetings to the great leader.

He said: I wholeheartedly wish good health and a long life to His Excellency President Kim Il-song, the great leader, on his 70th birthday.

He further said: We will invariably support the efforts of the government of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea for the reunification of Korea.

We sincerely hope that Korea will be reunified at an early date in accordance with the proposal for founding the Democratic Confederal Republic of Koryo put forward by His Excellency respected President Kim Il-song.

He expressed satisfaction with the steady development and strengthening of the friendly and cooperative relations between Egypt and Korea in various fields.

The talk proceeded in a friendly atmosphere.

Present on the occasion were DPRK ambassador to Egypt Kang Man-su and Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Kamal Hasan 'Ali and the first deputy foreign minister of Egypt.

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## N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

### KONG CHIN-TAE, DPRK DELEGATION END EGYPTIAN VISIT

SK100022 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2206 GMT 9 Mar 82

[Text] Cairo, 8 Mar (KCNA)--The government delegation of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea headed by Vice-Premier Kong Chin-tae left Egypt on 7 March after a visit to the country.

It was seen off at the airport by Kamal Hasan 'Ali, deputy premier and foreign minister, and other personages concerned of Egypt.

Ambassador Kang Man-su and officials of the DPRK embassy in Cairo were also present.

While staying in Egypt, the Korean government delegation met leading personnel of the country and inspected different objects.

The head of the delegation met the Egyptian deputy premier for economic and financial affairs on 4 March and on 6 March met and had a friendly talk with the president of the Peoples Assembly of Egypt.

The Egyptian deputy premier and foreign minister feted the Korean government delegation and Ambassador Kang Man-su hosted a reception at his embassy upon the conclusion of the visit of the delegation.

Present at the receptions were the members of the delegation headed by Vice-Premier Kong Chin-tae and the ambassador and officials of the DPRK embassy in Cairo.

Also present were the deputy premier and foreign minister, the deputy premier for economic and financial affairs, the minister of state for agriculture and food security, the vice-minister of foreign affairs and other personages concerned of Egypt.

Speeches were made there.

The attendants of the receptions toasted the good health and long life of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the good health and long life of Muhammad Husni Mubarak, President of Egypt.

The receptions took place in a friendly atmosphere.

N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

NIGER LEADER MEETS N. KOREAN VICE FOREIGN MINISTER

SK052329 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2220 GMT 5 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 6 Mar (KCNA)--Seyni Kountche, chairman of the Supreme Military Council and head of state of the Republic of Niger on 1 March met the delegation of the foreign ministry of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea headed by Kim Chae-pong, vice-minister of foreign affairs, on a visit to his country, according to a report.

The head of the delegation conveyed cordial regards of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to the head of state.

The head of state expressed deep thanks for the cordial regards and asked the head of the delegation to convey his friendly greetings to the great leader.

The head of state sincerely wished good health and a long life to the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

Both Niger and Korea, as member nations of the non-aligned movement, hope for further development of friendly and cooperative relations in the future, he said.

He expressed full support to the struggle of the Korean people for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

The conversation proceeded in a friendly atmosphere.

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## N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

### DPRK KWP DELEGATION MEETS RWANDA'S PRESIDENT

SK010358 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0343 GMT 1 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 1 Mar (KCNA)--Rwandan President Habyarimana Juvenal on 25 February met the delegation of the Workers Party of Korea headed by Comrade Yim Chun-chu, member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the WPK and secretary of the Central Peoples Committee, on a visit to his country, according to a report.

The head of the delegation conveyed cordial regards of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to the president.

The president expressed deep thanks to the great leader for sending a high-level party delegation and extending the cordial regards and asked the head of the delegation to convey his heartfelt greetings to the great leader.

The president wholeheartedly wished good health and a long life to the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

The National Revolutionary Movement for Development of Rwanda and the Workers Party of Korea are uniting and cooperating with each other for their ideological commonness, he said.

He further said:

Rwanda opposes the U.S. troops occupation of South Korea and the so-called "argument for cross recognition" brought forward by the United States and the South Korean puppets.

We hope that Korea will be reunified independently and peacefully in accordance with the policy put forward by the great leader.

We will as ever stand firmly on the side of the Workers Party of Korea and the Korean people struggling for the reunification of the divided country.

There will be no change in our firm stand on the reunification of Korea.

The talk took place in a friendly atmosphere.

Present on the occasion were the DPRK ambassador to Rwanda, and Habimana Bonaventure, general secretary of the National Revolutionary Movement for Development of Rwanda, the director of an oil company who is a member of the Central Committee of the movement and the secretary general of the ministry of foreign affairs and cooperation.

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N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

KWP DELEGATION VISITS SYRIA 26 FEB - 3 MARCH

SK080520 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0418 GMT 8 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 8 Mar (KCNA)--A delegation of the Workers Party of Korea headed by Editor-in-Chief of NODONG SINMUN Kim Ki-nam, member of the Party Central Committee, visited Syria from 26 February to 3 March, according to a report.

Abdulla al Ahmar, assistant general secretary of the Arab Socialist Ba'th Party, met the delegation on 2 March, authorized by Syrian President Hafiz al-Asad.

The head of the delegation conveyed cordial regards extended by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to the Syrian president.

The assistant general secretary expressed deep thanks for the cordial regards extended by the respected leader Comrade Kim Il-song to his president and asked the head of the delegation to convey the wishes of President Hafiz al-Asad and himself for the good health and long life to the great leader.

He said that his president boundlessly reveres the great leader and highly estimates the great exploits performed by him.

He stressed that the relations between respected Comrade Hafiz al-Asad and the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song are very solid historical ones.

The excellent relations of friendship between the two parties and two countries, he said, have been specially provided and strengthened and developed by respected General Secretary Hafiz al-Asad and the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song. These relations will remain unchanged in the future.

I once again assure you that the stand of Syria towards Korea is firm and principled, he declared, and added: The Syrian people extend active support and solidarity for the Korean peoples just struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country and denounce the splittist manoeuvres of the South Korean puppets.

The talk proceeded in a friendly atmosphere.

On 28 February the delegation was feted to a banquet by the national leadership of the Arab Socialist Ba'th Party.

While staying in Syria the delegation met and had talks in a warm and friendly atmosphere with the minister of external relations who is member of the national leadership of the ASBP, the chairman of the Syrian Arab-Korea Friendship Association who is member of the National Leadership of the ASBP, and officials of the Syrian foreign ministry and inspected a local city and AL BA'TH newspaper office.

The delegation of the Workers Party of Korea left Pyongyang by plane on 22 February.

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## N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

### 'NODONG SINMUN' MARKS SYRIAN ANNIVERSARY

SK082336 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1538 GMT 8 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 8 Mar (KCNA)--NODONG SINMUN today dedicates a signed article to the 19th anniversary of day of the Syrian revolution.

On this anniversary the Korean people extend warm greetings and felicitations to the friendly Syrian people, it notes.

The establishment of a new government in Syria was a great event which opened a bright prospect on the road ahead of her people advocating independence, the article says, and continues:

The Syrian people under the leadership of the Arab Socialist Baath Party headed by President Hafiz al-Asad have registered big successes in the struggle for firmly defending the gains of the revolution and achieving economic independence.

Pursuing the foreign policy of non-alignment the Syrian government opposes imperialism, colonialism and racism and is striving for a comprehensive and fair solution of the Middle East problem.

The Syrian people are vigorously struggling against the Israeli aggressors and for the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the country and the dignity of the Arab nation.

The Korean people warmly congratulate the Syrian people on all their successes achieved in the building of a new society and extend full support to and firm solidarity with them in the struggle to take back the occupied Arab lands and achieve a comprehensive and fair solution of the Middle East problem.

Noting that the Korean and Syrian peoples have forged the firm bonds of friendship on the road of anti-imperialism and independence, the article says:

The Korean people who value the friendship with the Syrian people will actively strive as ever to develop and strengthen the friendly and cooperative relations between the two countries.

The Korean people sincerely wish the Syrian people greater success in the struggle for smashing the expansionist ambition of the Zionists, building national economy and improving the peoples living.

## N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

### KIM YONG-SUN-LED KWP DELEGATION VISITS AUSTRIA

SK070900 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0850 GMT 7 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 7 Mar (KCNA)--A delegation of the Workers Party of Korea headed by Kim Yong-sun, member of the Central Committee of the KWP, visited Austria from 24 to 26 February, according to a report.

On 25 February the delegation met and had a friendly talk with Austrian Foreign Minister Willibald Pahr.

The Australian government supports the policy of the government of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea for reunifying the country independently and peacefully without foreign interference, said the Austrian foreign minister.

The delegation also met and had a talk in a friendly atmosphere with officials of the Society for the Promotion of Relations Between Austria and the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea and was invited to a dinner arranged by Fischer, vice-chairman of the Socialist Party of Austria.

The delegation held talks with a delegation of the Socialist Party of Austria.

Present at the talks on our side were the members of the delegation and the DPRK ambassador to Austria and on the opposite side were Central Secretary Fritz Marsch, the director of the organizational department and other person-ages concerned of the Socialist Party of Austria.

The talks took place in a friendly atmosphere.

While staying in Austria, the delegation respectively met and had talks in a friendly atmosphere with the deputy president of the Austrian Parliament from the Socialist Party and Fischer and Blecha, vice-chairmen of the party.

The delegation left Pyongyang on 22 February by air.

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## N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

### JAPANESE SOCIALIST HAILS KIM IL-SONG'S LEADERSHIP

SK090824 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0807 GMT 9 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 9 Mar (KCNA)--CHOSON SINBO 2 March carried an article headlined "Outstanding Leadership and Noble Personality" by Shoichi Shimodaira, socialist member of the House of Representatives of Japan, under the fixed title "On the Occasion of the 70th Birthday of President Kim Il-song, the Great Leader."

The article says, to begin with: Wishing good health and a long life to respected President Kim Il-song, the great leader, we hope for a greater development of socialist construction in the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea, the eternal happiness of the Korean people and the earliest independent and peaceful reunification of Korea.

Under the subtitle "Tender-Hearted Father of Korean People" he says that, visiting Korea twice, he was received by President Kim Il-song several times and given teachings by him for long hours.

What impressed me in those receptions, he further said, was the president's cordial and profound personality overflowing with humanity.

It was a surprise to me who had imagined him to be a steel-like fighter, as he had waged the anti-Japanese war.

I felt that he is truly the tender-hearted father of the Korean people in his soft facial expression, and his persuasive words attracting people with intimacy.

Under the subtitle "Development of Agriculture is a Requisite for the Country's Independence" the author says: President Kim Il-song, citing detailed figures, said that Korea was directing efforts to the development of agriculture and she had attained full sufficiency in food, but she was bending efforts for land amelioration and land rezoning to modernise it further.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song said that, if nonaligned countries were to achieve independence, they must, first of all, solve the food problem.

I learned a lot from the policy and wise leadership of President Kim Il-song who regards agriculture not merely as a matter concerning the living of the

permanence, but as a requisite for the independence of the country and is developing a farming method suited to the conditions of Korea and, furthermore, giving aid to the developing countries.

President Kim Il-song saw to it that the Korean people themselves win the independence and liberation of Korea and carry on socialist construction as the master, on the basis of the chuche idea, and made the beautiful morality of oriental Korea the social order. No wonder he is called "Our Father" by the people.

I was deep impressed, seeing and hearing that President Kim Il-song, with his outstanding leadership and wise practical capacity, was smoothly building a unique socialism which could not be seen in other socialist countries.

Under the subtitle "Clairvoyance and Keen Analytical Capacity, Steadfast Practical Ability," he says:

President Kim Il-song looked much younger when I saw him after the lapse of three years.

He appears so young and full of life. This must be coming from his high pride in the big strides made in the modelling of society on the chuche idea and successes registered in the fulfilment of the three revolutions.

It is the clairvoyance, keen analytical capacity and staunch practical ability possessed by President Kim Il-song that are required today for a greater development of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea, for the realisation of the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea, for peace in Asia and for the advance of the movement of the nonaligned countries and developing countries.

I once again wish good health and a long life to President Kim Il-song.

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## N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

### SPA FETES ITALIAN PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION

SK090439 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0405 GMT 9 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 9 Mar (KCNA)--The Standing Committee of the Supreme Peoples Assembly hosted a reception at the Peoples Palace of Culture on 8 March in honour of the parliamentary delegation of the Republic of Italy on a visit to Korea.

The members of the delegation headed by Leo Canullo, member of the Chamber of Deputies and President of the Korean section of the Parliament of the Republic of Italy, were invited to the reception.

Present there were Hwang Chang-yop, chairman of the Standing Committee of the Supreme Peoples Assembly, and Choe Tae-pok, chairman of the Education Commission, and Kim U-chong, vice-chairman of the Korean Society for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries, who are deputies to the Supreme Peoples Assembly, and other personages concerned.

Chairman Choe Tae-pok spoke first.

He said that the delegations current visit to our country is of weighty importance in deepening understanding and friendly sentiments between the peoples of the two countries and developing friendly relations between them.

Though you differ from us in political view, religious belief and custom, you well understand our country and are energetically active for the development of the friendly relations between the two peoples, he noted, and said: We highly appreciate your activities and efforts and express deep thanks to you.

Our people, he further said, who value friendship with the Italian people are making all efforts to develop the friendly relations between the two countries.

Noting that the Italian people are an industrious people with a long history and rich cultural legacies, he said: We are following the efforts bent by your people for the progress of the country and for peace and security in the world.

We sincerely wish them success in their efforts for the prosperity and progress of the country.

Speaking next, head of the delegation Leo Canullo said:

Our current visit to Korea is of great significance. This visit by an official delegation composed of parliamentarians representing various political parties of Italy shows the common desire of Italian political parties to develop friendly relations with Korea.

He remarked that the peoples the world over find a common idea in peace, freedom and independence.

Stressing that the realisation of Korean reunification poses as an important problem today, he said: Your country is making all efforts to achieve an early reunification of the country, transcending the differences in social systems existing in the north and south.

Saying that respected and sagacious President Kim Il-song is doing everything for national reunification, he declared: We always follow the efforts of your country to reunify the country independently and peacefully.

He said that the reunification of Korea would make a great contribution to world peace.

Referring to activities in the parliament for the reunification of Korea, he said: We demanded the Italian government to strive for the realization of the reunification of Korea in accordance with the 30th session of the U.N. General Assembly.

He stressed that the formation of a section for friendship with Korea in the Italian Parliament will greatly contribute to strengthening friendly relations between the peoples of the two countries. We are happy to have an opportunity of seeing at first hand the developed reality of your country during our current visit, he said.

The reception took place in a friendly atmosphere.

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## N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

### 'KCNA' VIEWS ROME SEMINAR ON KOREAN ISSUE

SK070937 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0918 GMT 7 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 7 Mar (KCNA)--The participants in the seminar on the South Korean reality which opened in Rome on 5 March denounced the U.S. imperialists occupation of South Korea and the South Korean puppet cliques brutal suppression of the people, according to a report.

The seminar was attended by members of parliament, leading personnel of political parties and public organisations and personages of various circles of Italy.

Senator Franco Calamandrei pointed out that South Korea was indicted for worst violation of human rights in the world.

Pointing to the life sentence recently handed down against Yi Tae-pok who struggled for the rights of the South Korean workers, he said South Korean death-rows house prisoners sentenced for political reasons.

Exposing the massive suppression of people in South Korea, he asserted that "11,000 people were detained in a single sweep on 3 February."

Antonio Landolfi, a leading member of the Italian Socialist Party, noted that the United States gave South Korea billions of dollars in military aid between 1975 and 1980 and denounced the United States for trying to justify it.

The tension in Korea must be eased, he said.

The participants in the seminar contended that the prospect of reunifying Korea has grown ever more distant with the installation of the Reagan administration as the United States presence in South Korea maintains its position as the major obstacle to rejoining the two parts of Korea.

They also fingered out South Korea's poor record on human rights as another factor for the tension in the Korean peninsula.

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KWP DELEGATION VISITS VENEZUELA

SKD61641 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1530 GMT 6 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 6 Mar (KCNA)--A delegation of the Workers' Party of Korea headed by Yang Hyong-sop, member of the Party Central Committee, visited Venezuela from 18 to 27 February.

During its stay there the delegation had talks with the delegation of the Venezuelan Movement to Socialism.

Present at the talks on our side were the members of the delegation and on the Venezuelan side were Teodoro Petkoff, chairman of the Venezuelan Movement to Socialism, and Pompeyo Marquez, its general secretary, and other personages concerned.

The talks proceeded in a friendly atmosphere.

At the end of the talks chairman of the Venezuelan Movement to Socialism Teodoro Petkoff arranged a dinner for the delegation.

The delegation met and had a talk in a warm atmosphere respectively with Godofredo Gonzalez, president of the congress and acting chairman of the Christian Socialist Party of Venezuela; Montilla, first vice-president of the Chamber of Deputies of the congress who is member of the National Executive Committee of the party; and Carlos Stori, senator and member of the National Executive Committee of the Democratic Action Party of Venezuela.

The delegation hosted a dinner for General Secretary of the Venezuelan Movement to Socialism Pompeyo Marquez on 26 February.

It came back to Pyongyang by plane on 6 March from the visit to Venezuela.

It was met at the airport by Kim Kwan-sop, Yi Hwa-son and other personages concerned and Cuban ambassador to Korea Wilfred Rodriguez Cardenas.

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## N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

### 'DPRK' MINISTRY FETES THAI EDUCATIONAL DELEGATION

SK100425 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0332 GMT 10 Mar 82

[Text] Pyongyang, 10 Mar (KCNA)--The ministry of culture and art on 9 March arranged a party at the Peoples Palace of Culture in honour of the government educational and cultural delegation of the Kingdom of Thailand headed by Vice-Minister of Education Khunthong Poopiewduan.

It was attended by Minister of Culture and Art Yi Chang-son, Vice-Minister of Culture and Art Chang Chol, Vice-Minister of General Education Kim Chi-ho and other personages concerned.

Minister Yi Chang-son spoke first at the party.

He said that the friendly and cooperative relations between the two countries were entering a new stage of development with mutual visit and contacts becoming brisk in many fields.

He noted that the Thai people were registering enormous success in defending the independence and sovereignty of the country, and carrying out the fifth economic and social development plan and were making big strides in developing national culture such as the independent development of national education and art.

Noting that the Thai government and people were greatly contributing notably to defence of peace and security in Asia and all other areas by bending all efforts for establishing zones of peace, freedom and neutrality in the South-east Asian region in accordance with the idea of ASEAN, he said: Our people wish the Thai people greater success and progress in their struggle for the independent development of the country and building of a new life.

Head of the delegation Khunthong Poopiewduan spoke next.

Saying that the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea and the Kingdom of Thailand were greeting great events in 1982, he said: This year is a glorious year in which the 70th birthday of the great leader President Kim Il-song shall be significantly celebrated in the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea and the year in which the Thai people shall commemorate the 200th anniversary of the formation of Bangkok.

Noting that the Korean people had rehabilitated and constructed their country in a very short period after the war, he stressed: These successes are fruits of a vigorous struggle waged by the industrious Korean people under the wise leadership of the great leader President Kim Il-song.

Saying that the Thai people know well of the Korean peoples sufferings of national division resulting from the occupation by foreign troops, he hoped for the peaceful reunification of the country by the Korean people.

During our visit to your country, he said, we are going to learn the successes and experiences gained by you in the education of the younger generation.

The attendants of the party toasted the friendship and unity between the peoples of Korea and Thailand, the good health and long life of the great leader of our people Comrade Kim Il-song and the good health and long life of respected His Majesty King Phumiphon Adunyadet.

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## N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

### BRIEFS

SOVIET ENVOY MEETS PRESS--Pyongyang, 5 Mar (KCNA)--Soviet ambassador to our country G. A. Kriulin called a press conference at his embassy on 4 March on the first anniversary of the 26th Congress of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. Present there were newspaper, news agency and radio reporters and press officials of foreign embassies in Pyongyang. G.A. Kriulin made a speech at the press conference. He answered questions raised by reporters. [Text] [SK050826 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0801 GMT 5 Mar 82]

JOURNALISTS TO VISIT PRC--Pyongyang, 3 Mar (KCNA)--A delegation of the Korean Journalists Union headed by Pak Chan-kun left Pyongyang by air on 2 March for a visit to China. It was seen off at the airport by personages concerned Hong Hyon-chong, Kang Tok-so, Han Chung-taek and He Zhangming, charge d'affaires ad interim of the Chinese Embassy in Pyongyang. [Text] [SK030455 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0402 GMT 3 Mar 82]

MALTESE PREMIER MEETS DELEGATION--Pyongyang, 3 Mar (KCNA)--Dominic Mintoff, prime minister of the Republic of Malta, on 25 February met a delegation of the foreign ministry of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea headed by Chi Chae-yong, according to a report. The head of the delegation conveyed cordial regards of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to the prime minister. The prime minister expressed deep thanks for the cordial regards and asked the head of the delegation to convey his warm greetings to the great leader. He said Malta invariably extended active support to the Korean peoples struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country. He expressed satisfaction with the excellent development of the friendly relations between Malta and Korea. The conversation took place in a friendly atmosphere. Present on the occasion were the DPRK ambassador to Malta and the foreign minister of Malta. [Text] [SK030435 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0332 GMT 3 Mar 82]

ST. LUCIA PREMIER MEETS DELEGATION--Pyongyang, 3 Mar (KCNA)--St. Lucia Prime Minister Michael Pilgrim on 25 February met a government delegation of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea headed by Kim Hyong-u, vice-minister of foreign affairs, according to a report. The head of the delegation conveyed a personal letter and cordial regards of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to the prime minister. The prime minister expressed deep thanks for the personal letter and cordial regards and asked the head of the delegation to convey his most wholehearted greetings and those of the government and people of St. Lucia

to the great leader. He heartily wished good health and a long life to the great leader President Kim Il-song who will meet his 70th birthday this year. Referring to the development of the friendly relations between St. Lucia and Korea, he said that St. Lucia sincerely hoped for the peaceful reunification of Korea at an early date under the wise guidance of the great leader. The talk took place in a friendly atmosphere. [Text] [SK030439 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0338 GMT 3 Mar 82]

INDIAN CHUCHE GROUP DEPARTS--Pyongyang, 3 Mar (KCNA)--The delegation of the Indian chuche idea study society headed by Dr R.K. Shukla, chairman of the Chuche Idea Study Society of Uttar Pradesh State, India, left here for home by air on 2 March. While staying here, the delegation visited Mangyongdae and toured various places of Pyongyang. After visiting Mangyongdae, the guests loudly shouted "long live the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song!" "Long live the dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il!" and "Long live the chuche idea!" After inspecting the Korean revolution museum, member of the delegation V.K. Sharma said: The chuche idea is an idea not only for the Korean people but also for the entire people of the world. It is a great guiding idea of revolution and construction. In the future, we will more vigorously struggle for the realisation of the cause of chuche. At the Changgwang health complex, he said: The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il spare nothing for the happiness of the working masses. We wholeheartedly wish good health and a long life to the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il who are devoting their all to the happiness of the people. Comrade Hwang Chang-yop met and had a friendly talk with the delegation. [Text] [SK030509 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0349 GMT 3 Mar 82]

DELEGATION VISITS ZAIRE--Pyongyang, 3 Mar (KCNA)--A government delegation of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea headed by Vice-Premier Chong Chun-ki arrived in Kinshasa on 27 February, according to a report. It was met at the airport by the Commissioner of State for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation and other personages concerned of Zaire. Also present at the airport were the DPRK ambassador and officials of his embassy in Kinshasa. On its way to Zaire, the delegation stopped over in Tanzania on 25 February. [Text] [SK030432 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0330 GMT 3 Mar 82]

JSP DELEGATION ARRIVES--Pyongyang, 3 Mar (KCNA)--A delegation of young activists of the Japan Socialist Party headed by Haqime Fukata, member of the Central Executive Committee of the Japan Socialist Party and director of its youth and children department, arrived in Pyongyang on 2 March by air. It was met at the airport by chairman of the Central Committee of the League of Socialist Working Youth of Korea Yi Yong-su and other personages concerned. In the evening the Central Committee of the LSWYK arranged a party for the delegation. [Text] [SK030429 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2202 GMT 2 Mar 82]

KWP GREETES FINNISH PARTY HEAD--Pyongyang, 3 Mar (KCNA)--The Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea on 27 February sent a message of greetings to Kalevi Sorsa, chairman of the Social-Democratic Party of Finland, upon the latter's appointment as prime minister of the Republic of Finland. The message says: The Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea extends warm



congratulations to you upon your appointment as prime minister of the Republic of Finland. We sincerely wish you greater success in your future new work. [Text] [SK030427 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2200 GMT 2 Mar 82]

PORTUGUESE KIMILSONGISM STUDY GROUP--Pyongyang, 25 Feb--A delegation of the Portuguese Central Committee for the Study of Kimilsongism headed by its Vice-Chairman Luis Manuel Valadas Esteves arrived in Pyongyang by air on 24 February. It was met at the airport by personage concerned Cha Pong-chu. [Text] [SK260257 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0336 GMT 25 Feb 82 SK]

HWANG CHANG-YOP MEETING--Pyongyang, 25 Feb--Comrade Hwang Chang-yop on 24 February met and had a friendly talk with the delegation of the Indian chuche idea study society headed by Dr R.K. Shukla, chairman of the Uttar Pradesh, India, Chuche Idea Study Society. Present on the occasion was personage concerned Yi Mong-ho. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0337 GMT 25 Feb 82 SK]

KPA SONG, DANCE ENSEMBLE BACK--Pyongyang, 24 Feb--The song and dance ensemble of the Korean People's Army returned home by plane on 23 February after visiting the Socialist Republic of the Union of Burma and the Kingdom of Thailand. It was met at the airport by Yun Chi-ho, Chang Chol, O Mun-han, Cho Yong-chol and other personages concerned and artists in the city. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0331 GMT 24 Feb 82 SK]

KONG CHIN-TAE MEETS GUINEAN PRESIDENT--Pyongyang, 4 Mar (KCNA)--Vice-Premier Kong Chin-tae, special envoy of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, called on Guinean President Ahmed Sekou Toure on 27 February, according to a report. The special envoy conveyed a personal letter and cordial regards of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to the president. The president expressed deep thanks for the personal letter and cordial regards and asked the special envoy to convey his warm greetings to the great leader. The Guinean President expressed satisfaction with the excellent development of the friendly and cooperative relations between Guinea and Korea. He also expressed full support to the new national reunification proposal, saying that it is a most just one reflecting the will of the entire Korean people. The talk took place in a friendly atmosphere. Present on the occasion were the party of the special envoy and the DPRK ambassador to Guinea and Prime Minister Lansana Beavogui, the permanent secretary of the party of state of Guinea who is the chairman of the National Peoples Assembly and the minister of housing, domains and town-planning of Guinea. The Guinean President arranged a luncheon for the special envoy of the great leader and his party. [Text] [SK032318 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2213 GMT 3 Mar 82]

KONG CHIN-TAE, GUINEAN PREMIER TALKS--Pyongyang, 4 Mar (KCNA)--Talks were held between Vice-Premier Kong Chin-tae, special envoy of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, and Guinean Prime Minister Lansana Beavogui on 28 February in Conakry, according to a report. The talks proceeded in a cordial and friendly atmosphere. [Text] [SK040431 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0412 GMT 4 Mar 82]



KIM YONG-NAM MEETS FRG DELEGATION--Pyongyang, 9 Mar (KCNA)--Comrade Kim Yong-nam on 8 March met and had a friendly talk with the working consultative delegation of West Germany headed by Wolfgang Muller, director of the International Trade Promotion Company of the Federal Republic of Germany. Personage concerned Pak Yong-si was on hand. [Text] [SK090433 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0403 GMT 9 Mar 82]

ITALIAN DELEGATION ARRIVES--Pyongyang, 8 Mar (KCNA)--A parliamentary delegation of the Republic of Italy arrived in Pyongyang by air on 8 March. The delegation is formed with member of the Chamber of Deputies of the Republic of Italy Leo Canullo as its head and Senator Gianfranco Conti Persini, member of the Chamber of Deputies Andrea Borri, and Vice-President of the Institute for the Study of Middle and Far East Lancioti Lionello as its members. The delegation was met at the airport by Choe Tae-pok, chairman of the education commission, and Kim U-chong, vice-chairman of the Korean Society for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries, who are deputies to the Supreme Peoples Assembly, and other personages concerned. [Text] [SK081609 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1547 GMT 8 Mar 82]

CHANG-YOP MEETS ITALIAN LAWMAKERS--Pyongyang, 9 Mar (KCNA)--Hwang Chang-hop, chairman of the Standing Committee of the Supreme Peoples Assembly on 8 March met and had a friendly talk with the parliamentary delegation of the Republic of Italy headed by Leo Canullo, member of the Chamber of Deputies and president of the Korean section of the parliament of the Republic of Italy, when it paid a courtesy call on him. On hand were Choe Tae-pok, chairman of the education commission, and Kim U-chong, vice-chairman of the Korean Society for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries, who are deputies to the Supreme Peoples Assembly. [Text] [SK090430 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0402 GMT 9 Mar 82]

MONGOLIAN MINISTERS COUNCIL MEETS ENVOY--Pyongyang, 9 Mar (KCNA)--J. Batmonh, chairman of the Council of Ministers of Mongolia, on 2 March met Korean Ambassador to Mongolia Pak Si-kwon, according to a report. He hoped that the Korean people would successfully carry out the tasks put forward at the Sixth Congress of the Workers Party of Korea under the wise leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song. Noting that the division of Korea is an immediate outcome of the imperialists policy of aggression, he declared that the Mongolian Peoples Revolutionary Party and government expressed full support to the Korean peoples struggle to end division and reunify the country. The talk took place in a friendly atmosphere. [Text] [SK090432 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0359 GMT 9 Mar 82]

CHIN-TAE MET EGYPTIAN PRIME MINISTER--Cairo, 7 Mar (KCNA)--Vice-Premier Kong Chin-tae, head of a government delegation of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea, paid a courtesy call on Ahmad Fu'ad Muhyi ad-Din, prime minister of the Arab Republic of Egypt, on 4 March. The prime minister said that the Korean people owed their enormous successes in many fields, industrial, agricultural, educational, etc., to the wise leadership of His Excellency President Kim Il-song possessed of great leadership and creative ability. He expressed satisfaction over the favourable development of the relations between Egypt and Korea in all fields. The talk proceeded in a friendly

atmosphere. Present there were the members of the delegation, Korean ambassador to Egypt Kang Man-su, and the director of the political department of the Egyptian prime ministers office. [Text] [SK082359 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2202 GMT 8 Mar 82]

FOREIGN MINISTRY DELEGATION RETURNS--Pyongyang, 9 Mar (KCNA)--The DPRK foreign ministry delegation headed by Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs Kim Chae-suk flew back home on 8 March from a visit to Maldives and Pakistan. It was met at the airport by personage concerned Kim Chung-il. [Text] [SK090004 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2205 GMT 8 Mar 82]

KWP MEETS SPANISH CP HEAD--Pyongyang, 9 Mar (KCNA)--Comrade Santiago Carrillo, general secretary of the Spanish Communist Party, on 3 March met the delegation of the Workers Party of Korea headed by Comrade Kim Yong-sun, member of the Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea and deputy director of a department of the Party Central Committee, on a visit to Spain, according to a report. The head of the delegation conveyed cordial regards of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to the general secretary. General Secretary Carrillo expressed thanks for this and asked the delegation to convey his wholehearted greetings to respected Comrade Kim Il-song, his dearest friend, and Comrade Kim Chong-il, upon returning home. The conversation took place in a friendly atmosphere. [Text] [SK090010 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2208 GMT 8 Mar 82]

KWP DELEGATION RETURNS--Pyongyang, 28 Feb--The delegation of the Workers' Party of Korea headed by Kang Sok-sung flew back home on 27 February after visiting Sao Tome and Principe and Cape Verde. It was met at the airport by Kim Il-tae, Hyon Chun-kuk and other personages concerned. [Text] [SK030301 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0410 GMT 28 Feb 82 SK]

GREETINGS TO SYRIAN PREMIER--Pyongyang, 8 Mar (KCNA)--Comrade Yi Chong-ok, premier of the Administration Council, sent a message of greetings to 'Abd ar-Ra'uf al-Kasm, prime minister of the State Council of the Syrian Arab Republic, on the occasion of the 19th anniversary of the day of revolution of Syria. The message expressed the belief that the excellent friendly and cooperative relations existing between the two countries would grow stronger and develop in the common struggle against imperialism and Zionism and for the building of a new society. [Text] [SK080419 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0338 GMT 8 Mar 82]

DPRK-EGYPTIAN TALKS IN CAIRO--Cairo, 6 Mar (KCNA)--Talks were held between the government delegation of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea headed by Vice-Premier Kong Chin-tae and the government delegation of the Arab Republic of Egypt headed by Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Kamal Hasan 'Ali on 4 March in Cairo. Present at the talks on our side were the members of its government delegation and Korean Ambassador to Egypt Kang Man-su and on the Egyptian side were the members of its government delegation. The talks took place in a friendly atmosphere. [Text] [SK080435 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0402 GMT 8 Mar 82]

PAKISTANI PRESIDENT MEETS DELEGATION--Pyongyang, 8 Mar (KCNA)--Mohammad Ziaul Haq, President of Pakistan, on 3 March met the foreign ministry delegation of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea headed by Kim Chae-suk, vice-minister of foreign affairs, which was on a visit to Pakistan, according to a report. The head of the delegation conveyed cordial regards of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to the president. The president expressed deep thanks for the cordial regards and asked the head of the delegation to convey his warm greetings to the great leader. The president wholeheartedly wished good health and a long life to the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song. Touching upon the friendly and cooperative relations between Pakistan and Korea, he said that he himself and the Pakistani people wished Korea greater prosperity under the wise leadership of His Excellency President Kim Il-song. The talk took place in a friendly atmosphere. [Text] [SK080439 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0405 GMT 8 Mar 82]

YONG-NAM MEETS JSP ACTIVISTS--Pyongyang, 8 Mar (KCNA)--Comrade Kim Yong-nam on 7 March met and had a friendly talk with the young activists delegation of the Japan Socialist Party headed by Hajime Fukata, member of its Central Executive Committee and director of its youth and children department. Yi Yong-su, chairman of the Central Committee of the League of Socialist Working Youth, was on hand. [Text] [SK080414 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0337 GMT 8 Mar 82]

SRV LEADER'S MESSAGE RECEIVED--Pyongyang, 5 Mar (KCNA)--The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, president of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea, received a message from Comrade Truong Chinh, chairman of the State Council of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, in reply to his message of greetings sent to the latter on his 75th birthday. The reply message dated 27 February reads: I extend wholehearted thanks to you for your congratulations offered to me on my 75th birthday. Hoping for the development of friendly relations between the Vietnamese and Korean peoples on good terms, I wish you good health as well as many successes in your noble work. [Text] [SK051402 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1015 GMT 4 Mar 82]

RADIO REPORTS JARUZELSKI MOSCOW VISIT--According to a TASS report, a Polish party and government delegation headed by Wojciech Jaruzelski, first secretary of the Central Committee of the Polish United Workers' Party and premier of the cabinet, made an official and friendly visit to the Soviet Union from 1-2 March. The Polish delegation was received and welcomed at the Moscow Airport by Leonid Brezhnev, general secretary of the CPSU Central Committee and chairman of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the USSR, and other Soviet party and government leaders. During the visit of the Polish delegation to the Soviet Union, talks were held between the Soviet delegation headed by Leonid Brezhnev and the Polish delegation. At the talks, both sides discussed cooperation between the two countries and the present international situation. The CPSU Central Committee, the presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the USSR and the Soviet government arranged a luncheon in the Kremlin for the Polish party and government delegation on 1 March. A Soviet-Polish joint communique was issued on 2 March in connection with the Polish delegation's visit to the USSR. [Text] [SK060133 Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 0700 GMT 5 Mar 82]

MEETING MARKS SYRIAN REVOLUTION--Pyongyang, 5 Mar (KCNA)--A meeting marking the 19th anniversary of the Syrian revolution was held at the Chollima House of Culture on 4 March. Placed on the platform of the meeting hall were a portrait of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and a portrait of His Excellency Hafiz al-Asad, president of the Syrian Arab Republic. Present at the meeting were Yun Ki-chong, Kim Sang-chun, Yi Tok-yop and other personages concerned and working people in the city. Anwar Wabbi, charge d'affaires ad interim, and an official of the Syrian embassy in Pyongyang were invited there. Speeches were made at the meeting by Yun Ki-chong, minister of finance and chairman of the Korea-Syria friendship association, and charge d'affaires ad interim Anwar Wabbi. A letter of greetings to His Excellency Hafiz al-Asad, president of the Syrian Arab Republic, was adopted at the meeting. [Text] [SK051400  
Pyongyang KCNA in English 1002 GMT 4 Mar 82]

NONALIGNED POOL OFFICIAL DEPARTS--Pyongyang, 5 Mar (KCNA)--Pero Ivacic, chairman of the coordinating committee of the News Agencies Pool of Non-Aligned Countries, left here today by air. He was seen off at the airport by General Director of the Korean Central News Agency Kim Song-kol and personages concerned, and Yugoslav ambassador to Korea Ljupco Tavciovski. He was received by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song on 4 March. As already reported, the seventh meeting of the coordinating committee of the News Agencies Pool of Non-Aligned Countries will be held in Pyongyang on 12-14 May this year. [Text] [SK051416  
Pyongyang KCNA in English 1104 GMT 5 Mar 82]

CHUN-KI MEETS ZAIRE OFFICIAL--Pyongyang, 6 Mar (KCNA)--Nsinga Udjuu Ongwakebi Untube, first state commissioner of the Republic of Zaire, authorized by the Zairese President on 3 March met a government delegation of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea headed by Vice-Premier Chong Chun-ki on a visit to his country, according to a report. The head of the delegation conveyed to the first state commissioner a personal letter and cordial regards of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to the Zairese president. The first state commissioner expressed deep thanks for the personal letter and cordial regards and asked the head of the delegation to convey the warm greetings of the Zairese president and his own to the great leader. Referring to the friendly relations between Zaire and Korea, the first state commissioner said that Zaire supported the stand of the DPRK for reunifying the country peacefully. The conversation took place in a friendly atmosphere. [Text] [SK060507  
Pyongyang KCNA in English 2223 GMT 5 Mar 82]

DELEGATION RETURNS FROM GUYANA--Pyongyang, 6 Mar (KCNA)--The government delegation of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea headed by Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs Kim Hyong-u flew back home on 6 March after visiting Guyana, Grenada and St. Lucia. It was met at the airport by Kim Chung-il and other personages concerned and Cuban ambassador to Korea Wilfredo Rodriguez Cardenas. [Text] [SK061600  
Pyongyang KCNA in English 1523 GMT 6 Mar 82]

HWANGHAE IRON WORKS VISITED--Pyongyang, 4 Mar (KCNA)--Diplomatic envoys of various countries in Pyongyang visited the Hwanghae Iron Works on 3 March. After inspecting the revolutionary museum of the Hwanghae Iron Works, they watched the tapping at a blast furnace. They also visited the Songnim Babics Palace. The guests were accompanied by Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs Kim



Chung-il and personages concerned. That day the South Hwanghae Provincial Peoples Committee arranged a luncheon for the guests. [Text] [SK040434 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0413 GMT 4 Mar 82]

CONGOLESE PRESIDENT MEETS DELEGATION--Pyongyang, 11 Mar (KCNA)--Congolesé President Denis Sassou-Nguesso on 8 March met a government delegation of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea headed by Vice-Premier Chong Chun-ki on a visit to the Congo, according to a report. The head of the delegation conveyed a personal letter and cordial regards of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to the president. The president expressed deep thanks for this and asked the head of the delegation to convey his warm greetings to the great leader. He wholeheartedly wished good health and a long life to the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song. He declared that the Congo would fully support in the future, too, the struggle of the Korean people for national reunification. The talk proceeded in a friendly atmosphere. [Text] [SK110442 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0335 GMT 11 Mar 82]

SOJOURN OF ITALIAN LAWMAKERS GROUP--Pyongyang, 11 Mar (KCNA)--The parliamentary delegation of the Republic of Italy headed by Leo Canullo, member of the Chamber of Deputies and President of the Korean section of the Parliament of Italy, went round various places of Pyongyang and local areas on 9-10 March. It visited Mangyongdae on 9 March. After seeing the mementoes preserved in the native home of the great leader President Kim Il-song in Mangyongdae, the guests posed for a photograph in front of it. The delegation saw the Korean Film Studio, the Pyongyang Metro, the Korean Central History Museum and the Pyongyang Maternity Hospital. It was also shown round the Sariwon Textile Mill and the Migok Cooperative Farm in North Hwanghae Province. It was entertained to a reception by the North Hwanghae Provincial Peoples Committee. [Text] [SK110445 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0339 GMT 11 Mar 82]

KWP DELEGATION VISITS GDR--Pyongyang, 11 Mar (KCNA)--A delegation of the International Affairs Department of the Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea headed by Kil Chae-kyong, alternate member of the C.C., WPK and vice-director of its international affairs department, visited the German Democratic Republic from 1 to 8 March, according to a report. During the visit, talks were held between the delegation of the international affairs department of the C.C., WPK and a delegation of the international department of the C.C., the Socialist Unity Party of Germany (SED) headed by Bruno Mahlow, vice-director of the international department of the SED Central Committee. Questions of strengthening and developing the relations between the two parties were discussed at the talks. Hermann Axen, member of the political bureau, and secretary, of the C.C., SED, on 8 March met and had a friendly talk with the delegation of the international affairs department of the C.C., WPK. While staying in the German Democratic Republic, the delegation visited Potsdam and Leipzig. [Text] [SK110023 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2206 GMT 10 Mar 82]

DPRK, ITALIAN DELEGATION TALKS--Pyongyang, 9 Mar (KCNA)--Talks between the delegation of the standing committee of the Supreme Peoples Assembly of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea and the parliamentary delegation of the Republic of Italy was held in Pyongyang on 9 March. Present at the talks on our side were chairman of the Education Commission Choe Tae-pok and Vice-Chairman of the Korean Society for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries

Kim U-chong who are deputies to the Supreme Peoples Assembly and other person-ages concerned. Present there on the opposite side were head of the delegation Leo Canullo, member of the Chamber of Deputies and President of the Korean section of the Parliament of the Republic of Italy, and the members of the delegation--Senator Gianfranco Conti Persini, vice-president of the section; member of the Chamber of Deputies Andrea Borri, its secretary general; and vice-president of the Institute for the Study of Middle and Far East Lanciotti Lionello. The talks proceeded in a friendly atmosphere. [Text] [SK091645 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1618 GMT 9 Mar 82]

KWP DELEGATION VISITS SPAIN--Pyongyang, 10 Mar (KCNA)--A delegation of the Workers Party of Korea headed by Comrade Kim Yong-sun, member of the Party Central Committee and vice-director of its department, visited Spain from 2 to 5 March, according to a report. The delegation had talks with a delegation of the Spanish Communist Party on 4 March. Present at the talks on our side were the members of the delegation and on the Spanish side were Francisco Romero Marin, member of the presidium of the Executive Committee of the Central Committee of the Spanish Communist Party and member of its secretariat; and Leonor Bornao, member of the Party Central Committee and director of its international department. The talks proceeded in a friendly atmosphere. During its stay in Spain, the delegation met and had a talk in a friendly atmosphere with Jose Soto, foreign policy advisor to the general secretary of the Socialist Workers Party of Spain. [Text] [SK100846 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0803 GMT 10 Mar 82]

JSP ACTIVISTS DELEGATION DEPARTS--Pyongyang, 10 Mar (KCNA)--The young activists delegation of the Japan Socialist Party headed by Hajime Fukata, member of the Central Executive Committee of the Japan Socialist Party and director of its youth and children department, left for home by plane on 9 March. It was seen off at the airport by chairman of the Central Committee of the League of Socialist Working Youth of Korea Yi Yong-su and personages concerned. While staying in Korea, the delegation visited historic Mangyongdae and inspected various places of Pyongyang and Panmunjom. [Text] [SK100501 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0400 GMT 10 Mar 82]

SIERRA LEONE PRESIDENT MEETS DELEGATION--Pyongyang, 10 Mar (KCNA)--Sierra Leonean President Siaka Probyn Stevens on 4 March met a delegation of the foreign ministry of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea headed by Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs Kim Chae-pong on a visit to Sierra Leone, according to a report. The head of the delegation conveyed cordial regards of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to the president. The president expressed deep thanks for this and asked the head of the delegation to convey his wholehearted fraternal greetings to the great leader. He also sincerely wished good health and a long life to the respected leader. He expressed satisfaction over the favourable development of the friendly relations between Sierra Leone and Korea and full support to the Korean peoples cause of the independent and peaceful reunification of the country. The talks proceeded in a friendly atmosphere. Present on the occasion were the Korean ambassador to Sierra Leone and the foreign minister and the permanent secretary of the foreign ministry of the host country. [Text] [SK100432 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0343 GMT 10 Mar 82]

KWP GREETES MEXICAN CONGRESS--Pyongyang, 10 Mar (KCNA)--The Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea on 10 March sent a message of greetings to the First Congress of the Unified Socialist Party of Mexico. The message reads: The Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea warmly hails the First Congress of the Unified Socialist Party of Mexico and extends fraternal greetings through the congress to entire members of your party. Believing that friendly and cooperative relations forged between our two parties would grow stronger and develop, we take this opportunity of wishing your congress big success in its work. [Text] [SK100008 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2202 GMT 9 Mar 82]

THAI DELEGATION ARRIVES--Pyongyang, 10 Mar (KCNA)--A government educational and cultural delegation of the Kingdom of Thailand headed by Vice-Minister of Education Khunthong Poopiewduan arrived in Pyongyang by plane on 9 March. It was met at the airport by Minister of Culture and Art Yi Chang-son, Vice-Minister of Culture and Art Chang Chol, Vice-Minister of General Education Kim Chi-ho and other personages concerned. [Text] [SK100024 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2211 GMT 9 Mar 82]

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'NODONG SINMUN' DENOUNCES ISRAEL'S SCHEME TO ANNEX ARAB LANDS

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[Text] Pyongyang, 10 Mar (KCNA)--NODONG SINMUN today carries a signed article under the headline "Israel's Scheme to Build Settlements for Swallowing Up Occupied Arab Lands for Good."

With the zealous encouragement and assistance of the imperialists, it says, the Israeli aggressors are maliciously scheming to annex forever some Arab lands they have illegally occupied and build a "great Israel state" there.

Noting that some time ago they declared that they would build 20 more "settlements" in the illegally occupied Golan Heights, Gaza area, West Bank of the Jordan River and Negev Desert, the article says that this clearly reveals the ever more unscrupulous territorial expansion plan of the Zionists to "Israelize" the occupied areas.

It exposes, citing concrete facts, the persistent moves of the Israeli aggressors to turn the occupied Arab lands into their territory.

The article continues:

The aggressive "settlement" construction plan has been stepped up more viciously since the Begin clique came into power.

The Israeli aggressors are bent on the building of the Zionists "settlements" in the occupied Arab lands and their maintenance in a bid to achieve their aggressive purpose for permanent occupation by changing the population composition and dividing and encircling these occupied areas with fertile land and rich natural resources, whose location is important in a military strategic point of view.

But they can not realise their filthy aggressive ambition.

They should stop the "settlement" construction and withdraw from the occupied Arab lands.

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